

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-518	14 th November 2022

Would you please supply the following information:

1. The number of bronchial challenge tests performed by the trust, and at which sites within the Trust, during 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

Site	2019	2020	2021	2022
St Woolos Hospital	<5	<5	12	18
Nevill Hall Hospital	28	8	19	15

*Please note where less than five (5) patients have been identified, Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 has been applied as the Health Board cannot provide the exact numbers due to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less). The Health Board believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified, when considered with other information already available within the public domain, if this was disclosed. Therefore, the data is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

- 2. The chemical agent used for the test e.g. mannitol or methacholine Mannitol and Methacholine.
- 3. The providers of bronchial challenge testing on behalf of the trust, should this be procedure that is referred elsewhere None.
- **4. The contact details of the sites/departments performing the tests?**Department: Respiratory Clinic, St Woolos Hospital
 Telephone No. 01633 234526

Department: Cardio Respiratory Suite, Nevill Hall Hospital

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