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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 3rd April 2020. Your request sought information relating to dental attendances at A&E.

Please note the data provided relates to Neath Port Talbot Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) and Morriston Hospital Emergency Department.

1) In the period January 1 to March 31, 2020, how many times did patients present at your A&E departments (to include major A&E departments, minor injuries units and walk-in centres) with dental health problems? (Please can you state whether the response solely relate to major A&Es or whether any minor injury units have been included too?) If you have any specialist facilities for dental treatment, please exclude these.

Month	Attendances
Jan-20	71
Feb-20	51
Mar-20	51
Total	173

Of these patients:

2) Can the numbers please be broken down by type of problem e.g. toothache, abscess/infection, loss of teeth, broken or loose teeth, gum disease/bleeding from the mouth, decay.



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Please note, that for previous requests relating to periods prior to April 2019, we have not been able to break down the attendances by type of problem as the previous health board ABMU used multiple systems across their A&E and MIU which prevented us being able to collate this information. Since the formation of Swansea Bay Health Board on 1st April 2020, our Emergency Departments have used just a single system which has enabled us to now provide this detail.

ED Diagnosis	Total
Dental Abscess	76
Dental Bleeding	6
Dental Cavities	<5
Dental Emergency	46
Dental Fracture	<5
Dental Injury	16
Toothache	6
Maxillofacial	16
Total	173

Where fewer than 5 has been indicated we are unable to provide you with the exact number of patients as due to the low numbers, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This information is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

3) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, can the numbers please be broken down by age of the patient e.g. 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90+

Age Band	Attendances
0 - 9	16
10 - 19	24
20 - 29	44
30 - 39	32
40 - 49	17
50 - 59	21
60 - 69	9
70 - 79	7
80 - 89	<5
90 +	<5
Total	173



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I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely



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