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Dear

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Your request sought information relating to liver disease.

**1. Please enter the name of your Health Board**

Swansea Bay University Health Board

**2. Do you have a named person within the Health Board who is responsible for liver disease?**

Yes

*If yes, please answer Q3 and then move to Q5*

*If no, please answer Q4 and then move to Q5*

**3. Please provide the details of the person responsible for liver disease within the Health Board**

Dr Chinlye Ch'ng

**4. In the absence of a named contact for liver disease at the Health Board, please provide the details of the person who should be contacted regarding liver health**

Dr Jag Nagaraj



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Swansea Bay University Health Board is the operational name of Swansea Bay University Local Health Board

- 5. Do you have a commissioned pathway for:**  
**a) the interpretation of abnormal liver blood tests?**  
**b) responding to liver disease more generally?**

Yes, pathways for both

*If answer to any of these is yes, please move to Q6*

*If answer is no pathways for either, please move to Q9*

- 6. Does it include an endorsed pathway for the management of abnormal liver blood tests that follow the BSG guidance?**

Yes

- 7. Is liver fibrosis assessment part of your pathway?**

Yes

*If yes, please move to Q8*

*If no, please move to Q9*

- 8. Please indicate how fibrosis is assessed.**

Fibroscan (transient elastography)

FIB-4 score

NAFLD fibrosis score

- 9. Do you have an additional pathway that proactively case-finds individuals who may be at high-risk of liver disease? e.g. people with diabetes or for those who drink alcohol at harmful levels**

Yes

*If yes, please move to Q10*

*If no, please move to Q12*

- 10. How does your pathway define individuals as high risk of liver disease?**

Diabetes

Alcohol risk

Obesity

Obesity with other metabolic risk factors

Risk factors for viral hepatitis

- 11. How are these individuals identified?**

At annual chronic disease / year of care review

Opportunistically during consultations

- 12. Does the Health Board monitor the breadth of adoption and efficacy of pathways in primary care your area?**

No

- 13. Where are these statistics published?**

Not applicable



**14. Are you aware of the current available statistics relating to liver disease in your area and do you monitor these?**

No

**15. Would you be willing to share your pathway information with other Health Boards for best practice purposes?**

Yes

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk).

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Yours sincerely



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**Director of Corporate Governance**

