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Rydym yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn y Gymraeg ac yn y Saesneg. We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.

Dyddiad/Date: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020  
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Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to your query in relation to our Freedom of Information Act response dated 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Your initial request sought information relating to consented adult autopsies and had asked for the following:

**Please provide the number of consented adult autopsies performed within your health board area during the calendar year 2019.**

The Health Board had responded to your request on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 stating it had withheld the number of consented adult autopsies under Section 41 of the Act.

You emailed us on the 18<sup>th</sup> November and asked us whether it would be possible to give you an indication on the numbers, not specific, but if necessary to state less than 5 during the period requested.

On considering your request, I can confirm the number of consented adult autopsies was less than 5, but cannot provide a specific number due to a duty of confidentiality continuing after the death of an individual to whom that duty is owed.

I hope this helps with your study.

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).

Under the terms of the Health Board's Freedom of Information policy, individuals seeking access to recorded information held by the Health Board are entitled to request internal review of the handling of their requests. If you would like to complain about the Health Board's handling of your request please contact me directly at the address below or register your complaint via [FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk](mailto: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), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely



Pam Wenger  
**Director of Corporate Governance**

