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Dear [Redacted],

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 29th September 2020. Your request sought information relating to Covid-19.

Please note that our information systems hold data from 1st March 2020 to 31st August 2020.

1. How many nurses have left their jobs at Swansea Bay University Health Board since the Covid-19 outbreak? Please provide a monthly breakdown per hospital.

Service Delivery Unit	March	April	May	June	July	August
Mental Health & Learning Disabilities	7	<5*	<5*	<5*	7	<5*
Morrison Hospital	12	8	10	16	8	6
Neath Port Talbot Hospital	<5*	<5*	<5*	<5*	<5*	<5*
Primary Care & Community	5	6	5	<5*	<5*	<5*
Singleton Hospital	12	7	6	<5*	6	9

2. How many nurses have received or requested counselling at Swansea Bay University Health Board since the Covid-19 outbreak. Please provide a monthly breakdown per hospital.

March 2020 - 69
April 2020 - 86
May 2020 - 71
June 2020 - 99



3. How many nurses have been off work at Swansea Bay University Health Board due to stress or mental health illnesses since the Covid-19 outbreak? Please provide a monthly breakdown per hospital.

Service Delivery Unit	March	April	May	June	July	August
Mental Health & Learning Disabilities	17	14	12	9	16	10
Morrison Hospital	33	37	21	25	21	30
Neath Port Talbot Hospital	5	10	<5*	8	7	11
Primary Care & Community	9	5	7	6	5	8
Singleton Hospital	14	17	14	11	8	14

4. How many nurses have been off work for more than 2 weeks at Swansea Bay University Health Board due to stress or mental health illnesses since the Covid-19 outbreak? Please provide a breakdown per hospital.

Service Delivery Unit	Off work for more than 2 weeks
Mental Health & Learning Disabilities	55
Morrison Hospital	129
Neath Port Talbot Hospital	32
Primary Care & Community	29
Singleton Hospital	58

5. Please provide me with nurse suicide rates at Swansea Bay University Health Board since the Covid-19 outbreak. Please provide a breakdown per hospital.

Suicides will be confirmed by the coroner’s office. Cases that are classified by the coroner as suicide are reported to National Confidential Inquiry into Suicide and Homicide (NCISH) by People with Mental Illness in Manchester. The National Confidential Inquiry for Suicide in Manchester University will hold all our anonymised data. This is our way of conducting confidentially the audit of these events and learning lessons afterwards, which is published nationally. Further information is accessible via:

<http://www.bbmh.manchester.ac.uk/cmhr/research/centreforsuicideprevention/nci>

* 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.

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

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Yours sincerely



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