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Date: 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Ref: CORP 2023 - 177

Dear \*\*\*\*\*

**Freedom of Information request: volume of drugs dispensed by hospital pharmacies and homecare, at an individual product level (CORP 2023 – 177)**

Thank you for your request for information which the Trust received on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

Your Request:

*Please could you provide a report containing data against the following fields, in .csv format, for each month, covering the most recent available data month and previous months (if possible, going back to January 2021).*

*I understand that the following fields should be available for reporting: issue\_year, issue\_month, location, drugfull, drug\_packsize, Inkidid, Inkdpz, quantity\_container, quantity\_doseunits, container\_returns, doseunits\_returns*

*I am seeking to understand the volume of each drug actually dispensed to patients. If necessary, for reporting the volume of product dispensed, please also include a Count of Daily Issues (CountOfDailyIssues). Please include records for all dispensed products, including transactions relating to returns where applicable.*

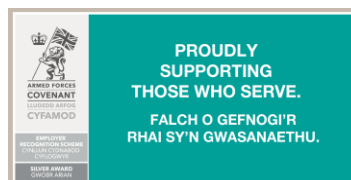
Please find the Trust's response below:

The Trust has reviewed your request which is correctly formatted and complies with Section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act.

The Trust does not record the data requested in a format that enables the information to be easily retrieved to the level of detail required to specifically answer your request. In reaching this decision we estimate that it would take a minimum of 35 hours or £875 an amount of £425 over the core amount of £450 extra to obtain the data. The amount would require payment in full prior to the Trust undertaking the work.

As result, the Trust is applying a Qualified Exemption under Section 12 (Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit), the legislation in this instance states:

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**12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit.**

*(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.*

The Trust has a duty to advise and assist you under Section 16 of the Act and therefore may I suggest that you consider the option to revise your request so that it falls below the prescribed appropriate limit.

I trust this answers your request for information, however, should you not be satisfied with the information supplied or the process of supplying it, you have a right to complain and request a review. Please note that you must submit a request for a review within 40 days of the date of this letter.

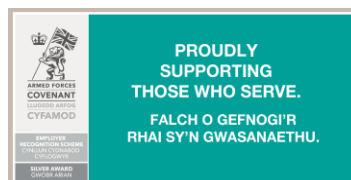
You should forward your complaint to:-

Mr Ian Bevan via [FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk)  
Head of Information Governance  
Velindre University NHS Trust  
2, Charnwood Court  
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Should you wish to take your complaint further, if you are still unhappy with the decision after review, you can contact the:-

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales  
2nd Floor,  
Churchill House,  
Churchill Way,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 2HH  
Telephone: 0330 414 6421  
email: [wales@ico.org.uk](mailto:wales@ico.org.uk)

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Yours sincerely,

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