

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2025  
Ref: CORP 25/26 - 179

Dear xxx

**Freedom of Information request: Pathology Services (CORP 25/26 – 179)**

Thank you for your request for information which the Trust received on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

Your Request:

*Please provide the following information for each financial year from 2018/19 to 2024/25 inclusive for your Health Board and, where possible, by pathology discipline (for example: Haematology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, and Histopathology):*

**Total pathology spend (overall expenditure on pathology services)**

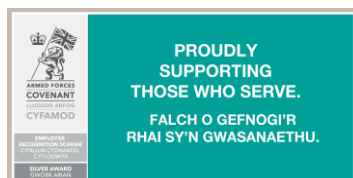
- **Total direct non-pay costs** (consumables and reagents)
- **Total direct pay costs** (staff expenditure), and segmented if possible by:
  - Contract type: substantive, bank, agency
  - Band: Band 2, band 3; clinical non clinical
- **Other indirect costs** (for example, maintenance, estates, overheads)
- **Total volume of pathology tests performed**
- **Total workforce FTE numbers**, segmented if possible by:
  - Contract type: substantive, bank, agency
  - Band: Band 2, band 3; clinical non clinical

Please find the Trust's response below:

<b>Total Pathology Spend</b>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>Contract</b>	<b>Costs</b>	<b>Cost</b>
2018-2019	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	530,208
2019-2020	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	587,239
2020-2021	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	551,411
2021-2022	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	562,440
2022-2023	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	578,188
2023-2024	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	615,806
2024-2025	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	936,703
2025-2026	Pathology C&V	Other Clinical Costs	782,783

<b>Total Direct Non-Pay Costs</b>	N/A - contracted out service
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<b>Total Direct Pay Costs</b>			
2019-2020	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	46,632
2020-2021	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	47544.00
2021-2022	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	48,495
2022-2023	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	49,853
2023-2024	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	37,390
2024-2025	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	31,650
2025-2026	Band 3	Health Care Support Worker	4,304

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.

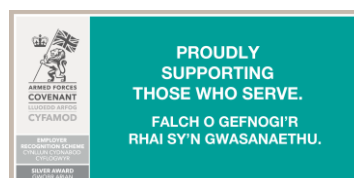
You should forward your complaint to:

Mr Ian Bevan via [FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk)  
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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  
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Yours sincerely

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