

Date: 6th July 2026
Ref: CORP 26/27 - 036

Dear xxx

Freedom of Information request: Bone Cancer; Long-Term Follow-up and Late Effects Services (CORP 26/27 - 036)

Thank you for your request for information which the Trust received on 12th June 2026.

Your Request:

1. Please provide details of the region your NHS Trust/Health Board represent:
2. Does your Trust/Health Board currently provide, host, or commission any service(s) that deliver long-term follow-up and/or late effects care for patients previously treated for primary bone cancer?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
3. If yes, please provide details of the service:
 - a. Service name:
 - b. Service location:
 - c. Website (if available):
 - d. This service is best described as a (please indicate):
 - i. Long-term follow-up service
 - ii. Late effects service
 - iii. Late effects monitoring service
 - iv. Combined long-term and late effects service
 - v. No service provided
 - vi. Other (please specify)
 - vii. Don't know
4. Please fill in further details of the service:
 - a. Referral pathway(s) into service:
 - b. Age eligibility:
 - i. Upper age limit
 - ii. Lower age limit
 - iii. Or no age restrictions apply
 - iv. Don't know
 - c. Geographical radius/catchment area where patients can access service:
5. Please specify which patient groups are eligible to access this service (please indicate all that apply):
 - a. Paediatric
 - b. Teenage and Young Adult (TYA)
 - c. Adults
 - d. Don't know

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6. Which treatment intent does this service support?
 - a. Radical or curative treatment only
 - b. Palliative treatment only
 - c. Both radical and palliative treatment
 - d. Don't know
7. Does your Trust/Health Board permit follow up contact from the research team solely for the purpose of clarifying information provided in this Freedom of Information response?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
8. If yes, please provide preferred follow-up contact details:
9. Does your Trust/Health Board permit the information provided in this request to be used to inform patients about the availability of your long term follow up and/or late effects service for bone cancer survivors? (Information may be shared publicly for patient signposting and awareness purposes via the Bone Cancer Research Trust website).
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

Please find the Trust's response below:

1. Please provide details of the region your NHS Trust/Health Board represent:

South East Wales (and South West Wales for TYA Sarcoma patients).

2. Does your Trust/Health Board currently provide, host, or commission any service(s) that deliver long-term follow-up and/or late effects care for patients previously treated for primary bone cancer?

a. Yes

3. If yes, please provide details of the service:

- a. **Service name:** No Late effects service, but routine follow up/surveillance for 10 years post treatment for adult patients with bone cancers
- b. **Service location:** Velindre Cancer Centre
- c. **Website (if available):**
- d. **This service is best described as a (please indicate):**
 - i. Long-term follow-up service

4. Please fill in further details of the service:

- a. **Referral pathway(s) into service:** Patients local Health Board
- b. **Age eligibility:** Over 16 years. No upper age limit.
- c. **Geographical radius/catchment area where patients can access service:**

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Predominantly South East Wales, though TYA patients under 19 yrs are treated at Velindre Cancer Center (VCC) as the Principal Treatment Centre, and between 19-25 yrs, they have the choice to be treated at VCC or at their local centre. However, as these treatments are specialised and numbers of patients small, there is no expertise in local centres outside VCC for these patients. Local Health Boards would have to treat >TYA pts themselves (SWWCC and North Wales)

5. Please specify which patient groups are eligible to access this service (please indicate all that apply):

- a. Teenage and Young Adult (TYA)
- b. Adults

6. Which treatment intent does this service support?

- a. Both radical and palliative treatment however the latter would not have "long term follow up"

7. Does your Trust/Health Board permit follow up contact from the research team solely for the purpose of clarifying information provided in this Freedom of Information response?

- a. Yes

8. If yes, please provide preferred follow-up contact details:

This will be provided to the patients.

The Trust has a legal obligation to comply with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the retained EU GDPR 679/2016 (known as UK GDPR). As you have requested information about someone other than yourself, the Trust has applied an Absolute Exemption under Section 40(1) and (2)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which states:

- (1) *Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject.*
- (2) *Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—*
 - (a) *it constitutes personal data which does not fall within subsection (1)*

9. Does your Trust/Health Board permit the information provided in this request to be used to inform patients about the availability of your long term follow up and/or late effects service for bone cancer survivors? (Information may be shared publicly for patient signposting and awareness purposes via the Bone Cancer Research Trust website).

- a. Yes

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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:

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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:

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