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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, received on 25th April 2022, reference number FOI 22-204. I can confirm that the Health Board has completed a search of its records and has established that it does hold information in relation to your request below:

We are conducting a project which involves mapping heart failure services across the NHS and this request for information regarding the services provided by your organisation is an important part of this.

I would be grateful if you could please answer the following questions.

- 1. What is the name of your Heart Failure Service?**
Heart Failure Service Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
- 2. Population served by the Heart Failure Service?**
Around 600,000
- 3. What is the service setting?**
 - a) Acute hospital**
Due to start July 2022
 - b) Community hospital**
Clinics in community hospitals and secondary care
 - c) Integrated care**
N/A
 - d) Primary care**
N/A
- 4. Approximate case load of Heart Failure patients seen per week?**
Currently 50, as training team. Once fully started will be 67 per WTE
- 5. Number of follow ups in 2021/22?**
4,967 follow up appointments
495 DNA (these are follow-up appointments and not patient numbers)

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- 6. Which populations do you provide the following services for and are you commissioned for these services?**
- a) Heart Failure with preserved ejection fraction**
No
 - b) Heart Failure with reduced ejection fraction**
Yes
- 7. Staff dedicated to Heart Failure:**
- a) Number of Heart Failure consultants (pa's)**
4 Consultants in total
 - b) Number of Heart Failure nurses (WTE)**
10.6WTE plus 1 vacancy
 - c) Number of Heart Failure Pharmacists (WTE)**
0
- 8. Which of these (a to g) does your NHS organisation have?**
- a) Access to open access ECHO**
No
 - b) Access to Cardiac rehab?**
Limited
 - c) HF Multi Disciplinary Team**
Yes
 - d) Cardiologist Non HF specialist ?**
10
 - e) Cardiologist HF specialist**
4
 - f) Cardiology Pharmacist**
1
 - g) GPwER (previously called GPwSI)**
The Health Board does not hold this information.
- 9. Which of the following (h to n) service models do you provide?**
- h) Acute inpatient due to start**
July 2022
 - i) HF outpatient**
Yes
 - j) Hospital based ambulatory heart failure unit**
Limited
 - k) Community based ambulatory heart failure unit**
No
 - l) Home based service / care**
Limited since COVID-19 pandemic
 - m) Community based clinic**
Yes
 - n) Heart Failure virtual ward**
Telephone review as needed

10. Do you believe that the current service specification adequately reflects the range and volume of activity your service provides? (Yes /No)"

Yes, for left ventricular systolic dysfunction (LVSD) but not other groups.

If you are not satisfied that the information you have requested has been provided, or because of the way your request has been handled, you have the right to request a review. This would be looked into in accordance with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) guidelines, which state that a request for review should be received within two months of you receiving the Health Board's response to your request for information.

Please contact Rani Mallison, Director of Corporate Governance, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, Headquarters, St Cadoc's Hospital, Lodge Road, Caerleon, Newport, NP18 3XQ, email: ABB.BoardSecretary@wales.nhs.uk in the first instance if you wish to request a review.

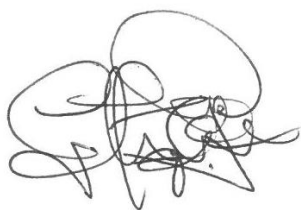
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glyn Jones', with a large, stylized 'G' and 'J'.

Glyn Jones

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