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Dear Sir /Madam

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_80_12

Thank you for your request for information received on 26 March 2012 regarding pharmacist training programmes. Please find the response from Cwm Taf Health Board set out below:

You asked for the following information to be provided pertaining the last four years of entry.

- 1.) I would like to know the proportion of entrants admitted on to your hospital pre-registration pharmacist training programme that had studied in the first instance from Higher Education Institutions that fall into the following regions:
- Northern (including The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen; The University of Strathclyde, Glasgow; and The University of Sunderland)
- Pennine (including Liverpool John Moores University; the University of Bradford; the University of Manchester; the University of Central Lancashire; and the University of
- Huddersfield)
- Central (including the University of Nottingham; De Montfort University, Leicester;
 Keele University; Aston University; and the University of Wolverhampton)
- Western (including the University of Bath; Cardiff University; the University of Reading; and the University of Portsmouth)
- Eastern (including The School of Pharmacy, University of London; King's College London; Kingston University; the University of Brighton; the University of East Anglia; the University of Hertfordshire; and the Medway School of Pharmacy, University of Greenwich)

Please see the attached table which provides the information you have requested. Please note that we only hold the information from 2008 onwards.

2.) Of the students offered places to the programme indicated above, how many had graduated with a 2:1 class degree or above on commencing or completing the pre-registration pharmacist training year (if they had not officially graduated from a Higher Education Institution at the point of commencing the programme).

Cwm Taf Health Board does not routinely collate this data. However, please find the information we are able to provide within the table attached.

3.) Of the students offered places to the programme indicated above, how many had been previously employed by, or volunteered within, the hospitals of the Cwm Taf Local Health Board for any length of time.

This information is included within the attached spreadsheet.

I trust that this provides the information that you require. Under the terms of the Health Board's Freedom of Information policy, individuals seeking access to recorded information held by the Health Board are entitled to request an internal review of the handling of their requests. If you would like to complain about the Health Board's handling of your request please contact me directly at the address below. If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 745 or fax: 01625 524510.

You should note, however, that the Information Commissioner would normally expect you to have exhausted our internal complaints procedures before dealing with such an application. Further guidance may be found on the Information Commissioner's website http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk.

The Information Commissioner recommends that all public authorities should publish a disclosure log. Such logs allow the public and other interested parties to see questions which have already been asked and answered and to quickly identify information of interest. Please note that Cwm Taf Health Board routinely publishes details of all Freedom of Information Act requests received in its disclosure log. The Disclosure Log can be found at www.cwmtafhb.wales.nhs.uk .

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries

Yours sincerely

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