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24 July 2018

Ms S Butcher

Dear Ms Butcher

Thank you for your requests for information dated 23 July 2018, which were addressed to Montgomery Community Health Council and Brecknock & Radnor Community Health Council, which we received by email on 23 July 2018.

Both Montgomeryshire CHC and Brecknock & Radnorshire CHC were abolished in March 2015 and were replaced by Powys CHC and I am, therefore, responding in one letter.

You asked for:

- 1) *Copies of any policies that the Trust has on the prevention of FASD, and on the diagnosis and post-diagnostic care pathway for patients with an FASD. Also our policy on the training of Trust personnel to manage patients with FASD.*
- 2) *Any information we hold on services the Trust provided for FASD for*
  - a. *prevention education following the 2016 Chief Medical Officers' guidelines that the safest course is not to drink while pregnant or attempting to become pregnant;*
  - b. *diagnosis for both children and adults;*
  - c. *post-diagnostic care in the financial years beginning 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.*
- 3) *Information on the number of Doctors in the Trust who currently provide diagnostic and/or post-diagnostic services for FASD? Please provide their names and posts. Whether the Trust employs specifically trained professionals, including but not limited to nurses, psychologists, occupational therapists and speech and language*

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*therapists, to provide specialised services for patients on the FASD spectrum? If so, in what specialties, and how many? Please provide their names and posts.*

*4) Information on training provided to personnel in the Trust on FASD, or provided by others and accessed by personnel.*

*5) Information we hold on whether the Trust sends patients for FASD diagnosis to the National FASD Clinic in Surrey (<https://www.fasdclinic.com/>)? Did we refer any patients to the National FASD Clinic in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, and in 2018, and if so, how many in each year?*

*6) What was the budget for services for FASD in each financial year since that starting in 2013 and including the current financial year?*

*7) Please provide copies of any agreed plans to expand the budget or services in coming years.*

We do not hold the information you requested. Community Health Councils (CHCs) are the independent watch-dog of NHS services within Wales and we seek to encourage and enable people to be actively involved in decisions affecting the delivery of healthcare in their local communities.

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Powys Teaching Health Board may hold the information you requested. They can be contacted at the following address:

[foi.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.foi@wales.nhs.uk) or write to them at:

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Quality & Safety Unit  
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Bronllys Hospital  
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I hope you find this response helpful. If you are unhappy with the handling of this request, you can ask for an internal review by contacting:

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Board of Community Health Councils  
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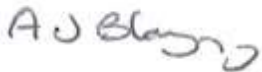
Telephone: 029 2067 8400

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I am happy to discuss this matter further if you would find this helpful.

Yours sincerely



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