

Welsh Assembly Government

Consultation Document

Health Trends 2011 – User Survey

Date of issue: **16 June 2011**

Action required: Responses by **8 September 2011**

Overview

The Welsh Government is seeking views from users on the Health Trends in Wales 2011 booklet.

How to respond

The closing date for replies is 08 September 2011. You can reply in any of the following ways:-

Electronically

Complete the electronic version of the questionnaire at

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dEIRWVIZRFJQOVZTNW9EYXBROWIqWkE6MA>

By post

Print the questionnaire from the above link, complete it, and return it to:-

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Welsh Government
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Cardiff,
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Further information and related documents

Large print, Braille and alternate language versions of this document are available on request.

Contact details

For further information please contact David Jones on 029 2082 5080.

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Data protection

How the views and information you give us will be used

Any response you send us will be seen in full by Welsh Government staff dealing with the issues which this consultation is about. It may also be seen by other Welsh Government staff to help them plan future consultations.

The Welsh Government intends to publish a summary of the responses to this document. We may also publish responses in full. Normally, the name and address (or part of the address) of the person or organisation who sent the response are published with the response. This helps to show that the consultation was carried out properly. If you do not want your name or address published, please tell us this in writing when you send your response. We will then blank them out.

Names or addresses we blank out might still get published later, though we do not think this would happen very often. The Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 allow the public to ask to see information held by many public bodies, including the Welsh Government. This includes information which has not been published. However, the law also allows us to withhold information in some circumstances. If anyone asks to see information we have withheld, we will have to decide whether to release it or not. If someone has asked for their name and address not to be published, that is an important fact we would take into account. However, there might sometimes be important reasons why we would have to reveal someone's name and address, even though they have asked for them not to be published. We would get in touch with the person and ask their views before we finally decided to reveal the information.

Foreword

Health Trends in Wales 2011 was published for the first time on 31 March 2011, and it updates 'Health in your Pocket' published in 2003. It is an accessible, handy sized reference book showing long term trends in health. Much of the data presented here has already been published in 'Health Statistics Wales'. Health Trends in Wales 2011 can be found here: <http://wales.gov.uk/topics/statistics/publications/healthtrends11/?lang=en>

The publication is not classified as National Statistics, as most of the data have been drawn from non-National Statistics sources.

This survey seeks feedback from users on the usefulness of the publication, and suggestions from users on how frequently the publication should be updated. We will consider user views in full, as in a period of restricted resources, we need to be able to prioritise our activities. This is in line with the Official Statistics Code of Practice which states that effective user engagement is fundamental both to trust in statistics and securing maximum public value.

We will publish a summary of consultation responses in early 2012, with details of actions we will take in light of those responses to follow. This will be available through www.wales.gov.uk/consultations/statistics/