



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our Ref: ATISN 11360
Date: 18 July 2017

Dear ,

ATISN 11360 – Prisoner healthcare funding from UK Government

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which I received on 22 June. You asked for an annual breakdown of how much funding is given to the Welsh Government from the UK Government for prisoner healthcare in Wales, broken down into the following financial years: 2014/2015; 2015/2016; 2016/2017.

The Welsh Government holds the information you have requested and it is set out below:

The Welsh Government does not receive funding from the UK Government for prisoner healthcare on an annual basis. In 2014-15 the Welsh Government received a recurrent transfer into the Welsh Block of £2.544m to support prisoner healthcare in public prisons in Wales.

No additional specific funding has been provided to Welsh Government for prison healthcare in the years from 2014-15 to 2016-17.

In respect of the new prison in North Wales, Welsh Government officials have worked closely with colleagues at HM Prison and Probation Service to facilitate a direct funding relationship between them and Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board for HMP Berwyn. It has been agreed that the funding for the prison health services at HMP Berwyn will be part of a future transfer to the Welsh Government once the prison is up to capacity and is fully operational.

Any queries regarding the funding received for HMP Berwyn would need to be directed to Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board or HM Prison and Probation Service.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

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

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,