Grŵp lechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol Health and Social Services Group



17 August 2017

Dear,

ATISN 11459 - Regulation 28 Reports

Thank you for your letter of 31 July to the Welsh Government and subsequent emails sent on 15th August, which requested information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). You asked the following:

- How many reports of Reg. 28: report to prevent further deaths, were received between 1st January 2015 and 31 Mar 2017?
- What matters of concern were highlighted?
- What actions were taken to respond to said reports?
- Copies of all responses to said reports.

Welsh Government holds information in relation to your request. This information is exempt from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act and is withheld as it is reasonably accessible by other means.

Regulation 28 reports are published on the Ministry of Justice website (MoJ). All responses, which include the actions to be taken to address concerns, are also published on the MoJ website. For your convenience, please see the link provided.

https://www.judiciary.gov.uk/subject/prevention-of-future-deaths/

In the interest of being helpful, we can also provide the following accompanying information. Welsh Government is aware of 63 regulation 28 reports being issued between 1st January 2015 and 31st March 2017. These are reports which have been shared with us by NHS organisations or sent to us directly by Coroners.

Welsh Government is aware of a time lag between when Coroner's receive responses and when they are published (generally around 3 months). In your email dated 15th August, you attached a document relating to the objectives of your project. This stated that you were interested in matters of concern raised from deaths involving medicines. Officials have



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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

therefore checked our records and can confirm that during the last three months there have been no reports issued regarding medication.

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 the response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit Welsh Government Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Or email: FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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,