



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

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Dear

**ATISN 13925 Engagement with Health Care Professionals.**

Thank you for your request which I received on 20 April 2020. You asked for:

1. who/how many **clinicians and health care professionals** were involved in the initial consideration and development of this idea to use clinicians via LHBs to collate this data?
2. who/how many **clinicians and health care professionals** were involved in the drawing up of this consultation process?
3. how many, and which, **professional clinical and medical bodies** were involved in the initial considerations and development of this idea to use clinicians via LHBs to collect this data?
4. how many, and which, **professional clinical and medical bodies** were involved in the drawing up of this consultation process
5. how many and which **LHBs** were involved in the initial consideration of this idea to use clinicians via LHBs to collate this data?
6. exactly what was their role and opinion?
7. how many and which **LHBs** were involved in the drawing up of this consultation process?
8. what **ethics committees or experts** have been involved in considering the use of clinical and health care routes and sources to source data for LEAs?

Following a search of our paper and electronic records, I have established that the information you require is not held by the Welsh Government.

An internal Welsh Government project board had formal oversight of the work on the proposals. Membership on the board included senior medical officers, nursing officers and officials from children's health division.

The consultation on the draft regulations is the main mechanism by which we engage with all relevant stakeholders, giving them an opportunity to share their views and concerns on the draft regulations. Post consultation the regulations will be subject to change following consideration of all of the consultation responses before Welsh Ministers determine the final form and content. The final regulations will also need to be laid for scrutiny before the National Assembly before coming into force.

It is the intention of Welsh Ministers to require local health boards to disclose the minimum – non clinical - information to enable the local authority to compile the database. The consultation asks a series of questions about what information should be required of local health boards.

We have engaged with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) as we have developed the draft regulations, and will continue to do so as we finalise the regulations, having taken on board feedback and comments from the consultation where appropriate. The Welsh Government will take the time to give due consideration to each and every response received.

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: Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ or Email: [Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales](mailto:Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales)

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