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Subject:	Healthcare staff who worked in prisons in Wales
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Requested:

I am trying to establish how many healthcare staff who worked in prisons in Wales have been investigated and/or dismissed for wrongdoing for the years 2015-2023. I am therefore sending this request to all Health Boards in Wales.

I appreciate that 'wrongdoing' covers various types of behaviour and can be referred to as 'misconduct'. For my purposes I am interested in those staff investigated or dismissed for the following:

1. Trafficking contraband into prison
2. Having an inappropriate relationship with a prisoner
3. Disclosing unauthorised information to a prisoner
4. Accepting a gift or money from a prisoner, their family or a friend
5. Bringing in money/transferring money for a prisoners
6. Permitting a prisoner to possess contraband
7. Turning a blind eye to any staff involved in the above.

Please can you let me have details of the numbers of staff employed by your Health Board in prisons in Wales investigated or dismissed for the above for broken down into year by year for the period 2015-2023.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that it does not employ any healthcare staff that work in Welsh prisons.

Each prison has its own healthcare facilities; GPs, nurses and healthcare assistants work on site in each prison, with the Health Board in which the prison is located being responsible for providing healthcare services.

Further information on which Health Boards provide healthcare to prisons can be found on the Senedd Cymru/Welsh Parliament website and a link to the webpage relating to the provision of health and social care in prisons in Wales has been provided below:

[Provision of health and social care in the adult prison estate \(senedd.wales\)](https://www.senedd.wales/en/provision-of-health-and-social-care-in-the-adult-prison-estate)