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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4257**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 18th February 2020.

Your request was as follows:

1. The figures published quarterly, as required by the The National Health Service (Quality Accounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, and directed by the National Quality Board National Guidance on Learning from Deaths, on the number of deaths in the Trust that were subjected to a case record review and were judged more likely than not to have been due to problems in care, for each quarter that they have been published.

I confirm that The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust holds the information you have requested.

However, I am unable to provide you with that information as I consider that the following exemptions apply to it.

**Section 21 - Information already reasonably accessible to you**

This information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), as it is already reasonably accessible to you.

The information you have requested is published in The Walton Centre's Website, please use the following link:  
<https://www.thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk/490/learning-from-deaths.html>

This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under section 17 of the FOIA.

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

2. If no figures have been published please provide an explanation regarding why the Trust believes it has complied with The National Health Service (Quality Accounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2017.

N/A

3. Whether the Trust uses the Learning from Deaths Dashboard issued with the National Guidance.

Please see statement above.

Please see our response above in blue.

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All information supplied by the Trust in answering a request for information (RFI) under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 will be subject to the terms of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005,



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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to the Freedom of Information Office at the address above.

**Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4257 in any future communications.**

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

*Mike Burns*

**Mr. Mike Burns, Executive Lead for Freedom of Information**