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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4874

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 31st August 2021.

Your request was as follows:

1) Please can you tell me how many cases of hospital-acquired Covid-19 the Trust has had since 1st March 2020 to the present day? Please break this down by probable and definite nosocomial infections if this data is available.

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 on The NHS England website. Please use the following link:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-hospital-activity/>

This exemption is not subject to the public interest test. This response therefore acts as a refusal notice under section 17 of the FOIA.

Please see the attached is from the NHS England website. All this information can be found on Admissions Total and Diagnosis Total tab, the data is from 19/03/2020 to 06/04/2021. This will also enable you to change the date range on the website to have all data needed.

2) Please also give me the number of deaths from hospital acquired infections (probable and definite cases). If you are able please state, in each case, if you have informed the patient's relative that it was a hospital acquired infection?

Here at The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust (WCFT) 23 patients have died From hospital acquired infections since 1st March 2020 to the present day.

Please see our response above in blue.

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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 4874 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

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