

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-020

20 January 2021

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

I have been looking to DHSE, PHE England, NHS and Office of National Statistics information throughout 2020, but I can only access 'died of any cause within 28 days of a positive PCR test' figures.

I would like 'died from COVID-19' and not died after a positive PCR test data please.

The Office of National Statistics were publishing 'COVID-19 deaths with and without underlying health conditions' figures but they discontinued these reports in June 2020, stating that although the rates of infection were rising, the people dying with no pre-existing conditions was so small it would pose a disclosure risk to continue publishing them.

We do not hold this information as we are recording and reporting in line with national NHSE/I guidance and do not differentiate to this detail

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, 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:

Director of Corporate Governance
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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Please remember to quote the reference number above 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 Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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