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Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 195-2020

Thank you for your email dated the 31st August, requesting information in relation to Covid-19 infections.

The information that you require is as follows:

For all the information below please could you provide data from between the dates 01/03/2020 to 01/08/2020, and where possible, could you please provide the figures for each individual month.

An Excel form has been included for this information to be easily filed.

- 1. Have records of Covid-19 infections in patients which were hospital acquired been kept? If so:**
 - a) How many Covid-19 infections in patients were hospital acquired?**
 - b) Of those who acquired Covid-19 while in hospital, how many died?**
 - c) What was the total number of Covid-19 deaths in hospital?**

- 2. Have records been kept of members of staff who contracted Covid-19? If so:**
 - a) How many members of staff contracted Covid-19?**
 - b) How many members of staff were absent from work due to Covid-19?**
 - c) How many members of staff died due to Covid-19?**

- 3. What is the total number of Covid-19 infections recorded in hospital?**

- 4. What is the procedure for when a patient is diagnosed with Covid-19 outside a Covid-19 ward?**
 - a) Has this procedure remained the same throughout the time period set out above?**

5. What is the procedure for when a member of staff is diagnosed with Covid-19?

a) Has this procedure remained the same throughout the time period set out above?

Please find attached:

- 1. Our completed response spreadsheet – Appendix A**
- 2. A copy of our HR Advice and Guidance for Managers and Employees – Version 9 – Available upon request**

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and 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: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/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.

Appendix A

	Number of hospital acquired patient Covid-19 infections	Number of patients who died after acquiring Covid-19 in hospital	Total number of Covid-19 deaths in hospital	Number of members staff who contracted Covid-19	Number of members of staff who were absent from work due to Covid-19	Number of staff who died due to Covid-19	Total number of Covid-19 infections recorded in hospital
March (01/03/2020 - 31/03/2020)	3	0	0	0	30	0	15
April (01/04/2020 - 30/04/2020)	5	0	0	8	33	0	
May (01/05/2020 - 31/05/2020)	0	0	0	2	23	0	
June (01/06/2020 - 30/06/2020)	1	0	0	3	15	0	
July (01/07/2020 - 01/08/2020)	0	0	0	3	16	0	
Comments					<i>N.B - This information has been obtained from the Trust's Electronic Staff Record system, were an employee is NOT fit for work and were the sickness absence has been recorded as a Covid-19 related (e.g. positive diagnosis of Covid-19, symptoms associated with Covid-19 - unfit for work, etc.) reason as referenced in the attached document "HR Advice and Guidance for Managers and Employees attached" The figure excludes when a member of staff has been shielding</i>		<i>N.B - This figure is for the total number of "Patient" Covid-19 infections recorded in hospital</i>

	What is the procedure for when a patient is diagnosed with Covid-19 outside of a Covid-19 ward?	Has this procedure remained the same between the dates of 01/03/2020 - 01/08/2020?	What is the procedure for when a member of staff is diagnosed with Covid-19?	Has this procedure remained the same between the dates of 01/03/2020 - 01/08/2020?
Answer	The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre does not have specific COVID-19 wards but has designated areas to cohort positive patients. Any patient identified as COVID-19 positive outside of this area will be transferred promptly. The vacated room will then receive a deep clean. If the patient was nursed in an open bay, contacts will also be isolated and screened to see if symptoms develop within 14 days of the contact.	This procedure has remained the same during the specified time period. It is however now under review due to the opening of our new Clatterbridge Cancer Centre in Liverpool.	Please find our HR Advice and Guidance for Managers and Employees attached.	There have been some minor amendments to this procedure but this has fundamentally stayed the same during the specified time period.