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Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 56-2021

Thank you for your email dated the 21st February 2021, requesting information in relation to DNACPR and DNR orders.

The information that you require is as follows:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000/Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I am writing to request anonymous information about Do Not Resuscitate/ Do Not Attempt Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (DNACPR) orders that have been issued in your Trust during specific periods (detailed below).

I would like to request the following information:

Period 1 = 23rd March 2019 – 1st August 2019
Period 2 = 1st October 2019 – 31st January 2020
Period 3 = 23rd March 2020 – 1st August 2020
Period 4 = 1st October 2020 – 31st January 2021

Please note in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018 our Trust is unable to release all of the information requested. The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust (CCC) is a relatively small Trust and by providing this level of detail where the number of patients is less than or equal to five increases any 'potential' risk of this data becoming identifiable information and thereby contravening one or more of the Data Protection Principles by releasing it into the public domain. Confidentiality is expected in such matters. This information is therefore exempt under Section 40: Personal Information, of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The areas where this exemption has been applied are shown below:

Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4. How many DNACPR orders were issued?	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
	Totals	71	61	95

Question 5 a. Patient sex/gender (whichever term you use)	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
F	37	31	45	64
M	34	30	50	54

b. Patient age category	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
17-24	0	Exempt under S.40	0	0
25-29	0	Exempt under S.40	0	0
30-34	Exempt under S.40	0	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
35-39	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
40-44	Exempt under S.40	0	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
45-49	0	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
50-54	Exempt under S.40	7	8	6
55-59	7	9	8	8
60-64	6	Exempt under S.40	12	13
65-69	11	8	9	21
70-74	15	10	17	18
75-79	11	8	21	24
80-84	9	6	7	11
85-89	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
90 or above	0	0	0	Exempt under S.40

c. Patient ethnicity	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
A - White British	66	54	71	101
B - White Irish	0	0	0	Exempt under S.40
C - Any other white background	0	0	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40
F - Mixed white and Asian	0	0	Exempt under S.40	0
K - Bangladeshi	Exempt under S.40	0	0	0
N - Black African	0	0	Exempt under S.40	0
Not Asked	0	Exempt under S.40	0	6

Not Stated	Exempt under S.40	Exempt under S.40	19	10
R - Chinese	0	0	Exempt under S.40	0

d. Underlying health conditions	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
Cancer	71	61	95	118

e. Diagnosed learning disability (number of patients with a diagnosed learning disability)	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
No Learning Disability Marker	71	61	95	118

f. Number of DNACPR orders issued with and without patient consultation/knowledge*				
<i>* NB - The Trust has a question on its EPR System called "CPR Discussed with patient?"</i>	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
** N	18	17	16	20
Y	53	44	79	98

** NB - It is expected that there will be DNACPRs which have not been discussed with the patient due to those patients who either lack mental capacity to have this discussion or direct the clinical team to have the conversation with their advocates rather than themselves. These instances are continuously monitored for any deviation from best practice.

g. Number of patients who died within 8 weeks of DNACPR order	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4
Did not die within 8 weeks	6	13	23	8
Died within 8 Weeks	64	47	62	83
NA - Living	1	1	10	27

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.

In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>