



**The Clatterbridge  
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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 106-2021**

Thank you for your email dated the 19th April 2021, requesting information in relation to the removal of patients from our waiting list.

The information that you require is as follows:

**Please note: The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre is a tertiary centre providing specialist non-surgical cancer treatments. We do not operate a waiting list for treatment. All patients are managed in line with the Cancer Waiting Times national standards and our performance against these measures is outstanding. This performance has been maintained during the pandemic.**

**However, we do receive referrals from other organisations for patients who are very poorly and may have been offered a form of non-surgical cancer treatment as a last chance of hope. Sometimes these patients become too unwell before treatment starts (within days). In addition we do have patients who commence on a treatment but become too poorly to continue onto their next scheduled treatment.**

**The data below is provided in that context. It should not be interpreted as patients passing away due to time spent on a waiting list for treatment.**

**How many patients have been removed from your trust's waiting lists for hospital treatment because they have died? Please provide information for 2018, 2019, 2020 and first quarter of 2021. Could this please include both inpatient and outpatient cases.**

**There were 881 patients removed from our Trust's waiting list for hospital treatment because they have died, from 01 Jan 2018 to 31 March 2021. This is including Admitted and Non Admitted patients.**

**2018: 272**

**2019: 272**

**2020: 287**

**First quarter of 2021: 50**

**Total 01 Jan 2018 to 31 Mar 2021: 881**

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>**