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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Hospital acquired Covid-19.

You asked:
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?

Trust response:
1. Yes
a) 0
b) 0
c) 0

2. Please note that some staff members may be counted in multiple months.
a) Confirmed Covid
March 24
April 115
May 65
June 37
July 5
b) This includes; Confirmed Covid, Covid Symptoms and Self Isolation.
March 237
April 516
May 286
June 166
July 53
c) 0

3. 458

4. The patient is transferred to a Covid ward and contact tracing is initiated for all patients and staff who have had contact with that person.
a) Yes

5. They follow government guidance with regard to isolation, have to swab negative before returning to work, they are supported for a phased return to work.
a) Yes