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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 Covid-19.

You asked:

Please can you supply me with the following monthly data for the trust, for March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December 2020?

- 1. How many people were unable to have treatments for illnesses and conditions due to the Covid-19/Coronavirus crisis?
- 2. How many of these cases were for life threatening illnesses and conditions?
- 3. How many people had further health complications because of missing these treatments?
- 4. How many people died because of missing these treatments?
- 5. How many mental health admissions were due to COVID 19/coronavirus issues?
- 6. How many Covid 19/Coronavirus patients were in intensive care units?
- 7. Total number of beds in the trust at the time?
- 8. How many of these beds were occupied?

If applicable, could you also provide the following:

- 9. Community Occupancy %
- 10. Adult Mental Health Beds Occupancy %
- 11. Older Adult Mental Health Occupancy %
- 12. How many of the patients died FROM Coronavirus/Covid-19
- 13. How many of the patients died WITH Coronavirus/Covid-19 Trust response:
- 1. The current file includes the elective waiting list hospital cancellations due to COVID (Any patient cancellations due to COVID have been excluded from this data).

We cannot provide the figures for Outpatient cancellations.

		Operation Date	1								
	2020										Total
Months	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
IP	64	60	6	4	1	2	4	3	15	57	222
DC	506	43	7 64	54	8	7	7	24	45	180	1332
Total	570	503	3 70	58	9	9	11	27	60	237	1554

- 2. In order to determine these figures would require the manual checking of patient records by a clinical member of Trust staff. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.
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- 5. The Trust does not provide mental health services.
- 6. Covid-19 Hospital Activity:

Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-hospital-activity/

This information is updated on a regular basis and is exempt under Section 22 of the Act.

7. & 8. Bed Availability and Occupancy Data – Overnight Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from

https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/bed-availability-and-occupancy/bed-data-overnight/

This information is updated on a regular basis and is exempt under Section 22 of the Act.

- 9. Not applicable
- 10. Not applicable
- 11. Not applicable
- 12. This information is not held in a reportable format. The Trust does not code cause of death, we code morbidity rather than mortality i.e. we code what has been diagnosed during the patients stay up to their death. The Medical Certificate Cause of Death (MCCD) is a document which is

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The Registry Office has suggested that we signpost you to the Office for National Statistics as they may be able to assist you. Please find the attached link for your ease. https://www.ons.gov.uk/aboutus/contactus

13. We are counting COVID-19 deaths as per the national guidance. The figure, and a description of the definition we are using, is published daily and can be found via the link below:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/

The link to the Trust level data is available in the daily spreadsheet in the section titled 'COVID-19 all announced deaths'.

Please note that we are providing these links under Section 21 of the FOI Act – 'Information reasonably accessible to the applicant via other means'.

Further, more detailed information would require the manual checking of patient records by a clinical Trust staff member and the Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.