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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 DNACPR orders.

You asked:

- 1. How many DNACPR orders were issued between 23rd March 2019 – 1st August 2019 (period 1)?*
- 2. How many DNACPR orders were issued between 1st October 2019 – 31st January 2020 (period 2)?*
- 3. How many DNACPR orders were issued between 23rd March 2020 – 1st August 2020 (period 3)?*
- 4. How many DNACPR orders were issued between 1st October 2020 – 31st January 2021 (period 4)?*
- 5. Please provide aggregate data for each period as follows:*
 - a. Patient sex/gender (whichever term you use)*
 - b. Patient age category (16 or under; 17-24; 25-29; 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75-79; 80-84; 85-89; 90 or above)*
 - c. Patient ethnicity (as per government categories <https://www.ethnicity-facts-figures.service.gov.uk/style-guide/ethnic-groups> and see attached table)*
 - d. Underlying health conditions (cancer; chronic kidney disease; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; heart conditions; obesity; other; none)*
 - e. Diagnosed learning disability (number of patients with a diagnosed learning disability)*
 - f. Number of DNACPR orders issued with and without patient consultation/knowledge*
 - g. Number of patients who died within 8 weeks of DNACPR order*

Trust response:

Each DNACPR decision is made by the team looking after the patient. There is no central database of these decisions, nor any way to find out how many

decisions have been made without the manual checking of each patient record by a clinical staff member.

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.