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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:

- 1) Between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available), how many Covid-19 infections in patients were hospital acquired?
 - i) of these, how many were probable infections (i.e. within 8-14 days of admission to hospital)?*
 - ii) and how many were definite infections (15 days or more after admission to hospital)?**
- 2) Of those who acquired Covid-19 while in hospital between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available), how many died?*
- 3) What was the total number of Covid-19 deaths at your trust between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available)?*
- 4) How many members of staff contracted Covid-19 between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available)?*
- 5) How many members of staff were absent from work due to Covid-19 between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available)?*
- 6) How many members of staff died due to Covid-19 between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021 (or the most recent date for which figures are available)?*
- 7) What is the total number of Covid-19 infections a) among patients and b) among staff recorded at your trust between 1 March 2020 and 1 March 2021?*

Trust response:

1. 283

i) With probable infections = **157**

Of the 157 probable infections the first positive swab was taken within 8-14 days of admission. It is possible that patients who had a first positive swab within 8-14 days of admission may already have had Covid 19 infection.

ii) With definite infections = **126**

2. 49 deaths among +15days Healthcare Associated Covid 19 patients.

Please note: that while these patients may have tested positive to Covid 19 it does not mean Covid 19 was the primary cause of death

3. From 1 March 2020 to 1 March 2021 642 deaths were recorded at the Trust where Covid 19 was cited on the death certificate. However Covid 19 may not have been the primary cause of death.

4. 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 the trust website

[WWW.MTW.NHS.UK](http://www.mtw.nhs.uk) Please enter COVID-19 positive staff into the search box and the response will be shown. Alternatively please use the following link: <http://www.mtw.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/COVID-19-positive-staff.-101220.pdf>

5.

During the period in question, **3,209** members of substantive staff had absence recorded relating to COVID.

COVID reasons are broken down by the Trust into 3 categories:

- Confirmed COVID – staff member
- COVID Symptoms – staff member
- Other COVID related absence – not directly relating to the staff member's health

Staff members can fall into multiple categories. We have provided the number of staff members recorded against each of these 3 groups below, but these do total more than 3,209, which is correct:

- Confirmed COVID - **650**
- COVID Symptoms – **1,093**
- Other COVID related absence – **2,331**

6. Zero

7.

a) The Trust had 2256 admissions in the period 1 March 2020 and 28 February 2021 where the patient had tested positive for Covid 19 either prior to or subsequent to admission.

Please note some patients may have had multiple admissions so the figure provided is of number of admissions.

During this period the Trust saw 114,673 admissions.

b. See the response to Q5.