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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 Post mortems.

You asked:

For the years 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:

- 1. How many post-mortem examinations were performed?*
- 2. What was the average number of days between the time of death and the release of the body after a post-mortem examination?*
- 3. How many pathologists worked in the trust (in WTE)?*

Trust response:

1.
2019 = 476,
2020 = 366,
2021 = 428,
2022 = 486
2. The average time is very approximately 10 days but this varies widely
3. This has 2 answers
 - a) 1 x 0.2 wte Trust pathologist does PME's (rest of WTE is Cellular Pathology – post is 1wte).
 - b) Trust has total of 15.6 wte Consultant Histopathologists