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Subject: Covid deaths

REQUEST

I am requesting that within the dates of 01/03/2020 - 01/11/2021 can you supply the total number of deaths from COVID-19 alone, not within 28 days of a positive test, from all the hospitals in your trust, deaths OF covid not WITH covid.

RESPONSE

The information that you have requested is intended for a future publication and therefore exempt under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), Section 22(1) states that “Information is exempt information if—

- (a) the information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not)”

Sec 22 is a qualified exemption which means the Trust must consider when applying this exemption whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption is greater than the public interest in disclosing the requested information.

The Trust considers that the Public Interest is on this occasion not in favour of disclosure, this is because the information that you have requested is part of an ongoing review and not yet confirmed.