

Ref: FOIA Reference 2020/21-418

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Date: 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Covid-19

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

## Q1 Can I also request same information for November to December Please?

A1 As per our response to your request reference 355-2021 dated 16<sup>th</sup> December (A summary of your previous questions below) the information you require can be found at the following link.

I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding covid-19, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the NHS England public website at the following links:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-hospital-activity/ https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/

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

In addition this information is exempt under section 22: *Information for future publication* NHSi refresh this monthly, therefore the next set of information will be available in January 2021.

## **Questions on reference 355-2021**

- From the dates 23rd March to November how many people have died from COVID-19?
- How many people are currently in hospital with COVID-19?
- How many patients are in ICU?
- How many on ventilators?
- How many are just receiving oxygen therapy?

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,

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