

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference Fol/21/391
Hospital Admissions

Request Details

1. Between 01/10/20 and 28/02/21 how many individual admissions were made to the University Hospital of Wales (UHW)?
 - a. How many of those patients tested negative for Covid-19 upon admission?
 - b. Of those negative admissions, how many went on to spend at least one night on a ward with a Covid-positive patient after the Covid-positive patient had been identified as positive.
2. Between 01/10/20 and 28/02/21 how many individual admissions were made to Llandough Hospital?
 - a. How many of those patients tested negative for Covid-19 upon admission?
 - b. Of those negative admissions, how many went on to spend at least one night on a ward with a Covid-positive patient after the Covid-positive patient had been identified as positive.

Response Details

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual patient records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.