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Subject: Recording of Covid-19 Diagnoses

For all the information below please could you provide data from between the dates 01/03/2020 to 01/08/2020, and where possible, could you please provide the figures for each individual month.

- Q1 Have records of Covid-19 infections in patients which were hospital acquired been kept? If
 - a) How many Covid-19 infections in patients were hospital acquired?
 - b) Of those who acquired Covid-19 while in hospital, how many died?
 - c) What was the total number of Covid-19 deaths in hospital?
- A1 Information exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 'Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means'.

This information is published by NHS England and is available via their website: https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/

- Q2 Have records been kept of members of staff who contracted Covid-19? If so:
 - a) How many members of staff contracted Covid-19?
 - b) How many members of staff were absent from work due to testing positive for Covid-19 or because of suspected Covid-19 infection?
 - c) How many members of staff died due to Covid-19?
- A2 Yes
 - a. 136 (distinct staff)
 - b. 401 (distinct staff) Includes: COVID-19 Confirmed , COVID 19 Self isolating own symptoms , COVID 19 Self Isolation
 - c. Zero
- Q3 What is the total number of Covid-19 infections recorded in hospital?
- A3 As per A1.
- Q4 What is the procedure for when a patient is diagnosed with Covid-19 outside a Covid-19 ward?
 - a) Has this procedure remained the same throughout the time period set out above?
- A4 The patient is informed. A review and risk assessment is performed and contact tracing instituted. The patient is transferred to a designated ward/area within the Trust and appropriate precautions instituted.
 - a. No. There was not a designated ward initially at the beginning of March, patients were cared for in isolation rooms within the wards they had been admitted to.



- Q5 What is the procedure for when a member of staff is diagnosed with Covid-19? a) Has this procedure remained the same throughout the time period set out above?
- A5 The staff member is advised to self-isolate until 10 days has passed, symptoms have resolved and they are well enough to return to work. Relevant people are informed and contact tracing initiated. Designated contacts advised to self- isolate for 14 days.
 - a. No. Initially the advice to the staff member was to self- isolate for 7 days.