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Subject: Number of patients affected by infected blood inquiry

- Q1 How many patients within the trust have been infected by NHS blood, blood products or tissue contaminated with HIV or hepatitis C or have developed a chronic infection from blood contaminated with hepatitis B?
- A1 Information not held- the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data.
- Q1a) Of those, how many have died in the last 5 years? Broken down by financial years between April 6 April 5 (2019/2020, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24)
- A1a) Information not held the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data. In order to ascertain the data, the Trust would be required to access personal data of the individuals and as such the data is exempt under Section 40: Personal data.
- Q1b) Of those, how many are still living and under the care of the Trust?
- A1b) Information exempted under Section 41: Information provided in confidence. Providing this information would constitute a breach in confidence.

Information is exempt information if:

- (a) it was obtained by the public authority from any other person (including another public authority), and,
- (b) the disclosure of the information to the public (otherwise than under this Act) by the public authority holding it would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by that or any other person.
- Q1c) Of those living, what are the ages, ethnicity, gender of the patients?
- A1c) Information exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 'Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means'. The Infected Blood Inquiry Report is already in the public domain and is openly accessible.