

Reference:	FOI.5450.21
Subject:	COVID-19 deaths
Date of Request:	25 February 2021

Requested:

1. How many people have died in the Hywel Dda NHS Trust Hospitals with COVID-19 on their death certificates between 1st February 2020 and the 31st January 2021, broken down into age groups of under 24, 25-50, 50-69, 70-79, 80+?
2. How many people have died in the Hywel Dda NHS Trust Hospitals from COVID-19 alone? As in, they died due to COVID-19 ONLY and had no underlying health conditions.

The figures published include deaths of those who have died within 28 days of a positive COVID test, so they could have died from other causes. I would like to know the exact figures from 1st February 2020 until the 31st January 2021, broken down per month of those people who have died due to COVID-19 only, with no underlying health conditions.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) regrets to inform you that it does not hold the information requested. Death Certificates are issued by the Registry Offices upon registration of the death. We would therefore recommend that you redirect this part of your request to the Freedom of Information Teams within each Local Authority in the UHB's footprint who may be able to help you with your enquiry:-

Information & Data Protection Officer, Carmarthenshire County Council, County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP or by email foia@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Complaints & Freedom of Information Team, Ceredigion County Council, Canolfan Rheidol, Rhodfa Padarn, Llanbadarn Fawr, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, SY23 3UE or by email foi@ceredigion.gov.uk

Information Governance Team, Pembrokeshire County Council, County Hall, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1TP or by email FOI@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

2. The information requested is already within the public domain; therefore, the UHB has applied an Exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as the information is accessible by another means. The UHB has answered a similar Freedom of Information request, FOI/4761/20, which is available on our disclosure log.

For ease of reference please click on the attached link which will take you directly to the UHB's disclosure log webpage.

<https://hduhb.nhs.wales/about-us/governance-arrangements/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>