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Subject:	COVID-19 hospital deaths
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Requested:

The number of deaths in the health board's hospitals of patients involving Covid-19 as a result of hospital onset infection – "probable" onset and "definite" onset – from 1 May 2021 to 30 September 2021.

If available, to provide a breakdown of hospital sites where deaths occurred and by month.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) is currently in the process of reviewing hospital acquired COVID-19 infections in line with the NHS Wales National Framework for the Management of Patient Safety Incidents. An update on the review is due to be submitted at the UHB's next Quality Safety and Experience Committee (QSEC) meeting. As the review progresses, further updates will also be presented at QSEC meetings.

This information is therefore exempt under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), which states that information is exempt if it is intended that the information held by the public authority will be published at a future date.

All papers submitted to QSEC are published on the UHB's webpage and can be accessed via the link below:

[Quality Safety and Experience Committee (QSEC) - Hywel Dda University Health Board (nhs.wales)](#)

Some of this information is already within the public domain; therefore, the UHB has applied an Exemption under Section 21 of the FoIA, as the information is accessible by another means. An update on the review of Nosocomial COVID-19 Infections and other COVID-19 related matters, was presented at the UHB's QSEC meeting on the 10 August 2021.

For ease of reference, please click on the attached link, which will take you directly to the UHB's Review paper:

[Health & Care Standards Fundamentals of Care Annual Audit Report (nhs.wales)](#)

Additionally, information on COVID-19 hospital onset infection and information on confirmed COVID-19 deaths is available in the Coronavirus data dashboard on the Public Health Wales (PHW) website.

For ease of reference please click on the attached link which will take you directly to the PHW COVID-19 webpage:

[Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Public Health Wales (nhs.wales)](#)