Reference:	FOI.7012.21
Subject:	Inpatients contracting Covid-19
Date of Request:	27 September 2021

Requested:

Please provide me with the relevant data showing how many patients have caught Covid on wards during their stay within your hospitals and how many died from or with Covid?

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 link below, 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 link below which will take you directly to the PHW COVID-19 webpage:

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

Whilst operating in accordance with the Section 45 Freedom of Information Code of Practice, the UHB has a duty to provide advice and assistance. Therefore, I can confirm that 524 patients are recorded on the UHB's Welsh Patient Administration System as deceased, across all of the UHB's hospitals, within 28 days of a positive test, as at 30 September 2021.