



# Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Date Received: 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Response Due: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**The number of patients who have died while on your NHS waiting list and therefore have been removed from that list due to their death or status as being deceased.**

Please see below at Question 3.

**I would like this complete data broken down into the years 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and the year 2023 to date (December).**

Please see below at Question 3.

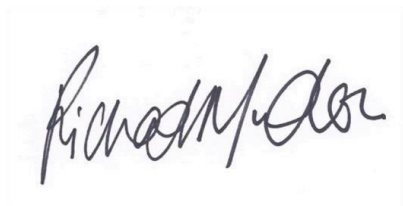
**If possible, I would also like a breakdown of age for every patient who died while on your NHS waiting list please.**

The Trust is unable to provide this data as Death is not recorded centrally on our system.

If recorded it would be held within individual case notes. As case notes are for the care and treatment of patients, we do not request staff to interrogate them in order to collate the information required to respond to Freedom of Information requests.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Mundon', is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

Richard Mundon  
Director of Strategy and Planning

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
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