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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Hospital Treatment Waiting List.

You asked:

-How many patients have been removed from your trust's waiting lists for hospital treatment because they have died? Please provide information for 2018, 2019, 2020 and first quarter of 2021. Could this please include both inpatient and outpatient cases.

Trust response:

The number of patients who died whilst on the Referral To Treatment (RTT) waiting list for treatment has been derived from the Trust's monthly RTT part 1a and 1b submissions.

This includes all RTT patients, whether they were waiting for an inpatient admission or were on an outpatient pathway.

This data is only readily available from April 2020 when the Trust changed to its current system for RTT data collection.

April 2020 to December 2020	36 patients
January 2021 to March 2021	37 patients
April and May 2021	14 patients