

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_46_22

You asked:

On the date: 27/01/2022

1. What was the total number of ICU beds within the Health Board?

27.

2. How many of those beds were occupied by covid positive patients?

We can confirm that the Health Board does hold this information. However, to release the specific information in the way that you have requested would mean disclosure of low numbers.

Where numbers are low we have considered that there is the potential for the individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain.

In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute as unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

However, in order to fulfil our obligation under Section 16 of the Act to provide advice and assistance, we can confirm that less than 5 ICU beds were occupied by covid positive patients.

3. Of those covid positive patients, how many were receiving treatment specifically for symptoms arising from covid?

Please see response to question 2.

4. Of those covid positive patients receiving treatment specifically for covid; please provide a breakdown as to how many had received one, two, three or no doses of the covid vaccine?

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