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I refer to our response to your Freedom of Information Act Request sent on 23rd February 2022. On review of the information provided to you in response to questions 1 and 2, we have identified some areas where an update of the data is necessary. This is due to the way our systems "filter" patient information, and we have noted that some numbers provided were not complete. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused, and please find the corrected numbers below.

Swansea Bay University Health Board take the prevention and control of hospitaltransmitted infection extremely seriously. We always take all appropriate steps to manage this is a swift and efficient manner.

It is important to advise you that the Health Board is currently reviewing hospital acquired COVID-19 infections in line with the NHS Wales National Framework for the Management of Patient Safety Incidents following Nosocomial Transmission of Covid-19. As well as this, there may be a delay in death certificate data being updated. Therefore, the figures provided are subject to change.

Please note that the information we have provided covers the period 16.03.2020 to 16.01.2022.

You asked us;

1. Please provide (as per your latest data) the number of people who have died of Covid-19 (using the ONS Covid-19 death definition - Covid-19 is mentioned on the death certificate) after probably or definitely catching Covid-19 in one of the health board's hospitals (patient was defined as



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## probable or definite hospital-onset Covid-19).

We define "Probable Hospital Associated Covid" as a positive specimen date 8-14 days after admission.

"Definite Healthcare Acquired Covid" is defined as a positive specimen date 15 or more days after admission.

As at 16th January 2022, there were;

204 deaths of patients from a case of 'definite' hospital acquired COVID-19 (where COVID-19 is mentioned on the death certificate).

128 deaths of patients from a case of 'probable' hospital acquired COVID-19 (where COVID-19 is mentioned on the death certificate).

## 2. Please provide a breakdown of the deaths per hospital.

Hospital	"Probable" or "Definite" HAI COVID Deaths
Cefn Coed Hospital	13
Gorseinon Hospital	7
Morriston Hospital	190
Neath Port Talbot Hospital	60
Singleton Hospital	54
Tonna Day Hospital	8
Grand Total	332

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at <u>FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk</u>.

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 0330 414 6421.

Yours sincerely

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