



## Access to Public Information Request

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### Access to Public Information request regarding statistics on deaths, hospitalisations and conditions

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#### Request:

I would like to make an information request for the following points under the Code of Practice for Access to Public Information.

#### Deaths

1. 2018:
  - a. *The total number of all deaths in 2018*
  - b. *The total number of deaths in 2018 caused by respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - c. *The total number of deaths in 2018 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - d. *The total number of sudden deaths in 2018*
2. 2019:
  - a. *The total number of all deaths in 2019*
  - b. *The total number of deaths in 2019 caused by respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - c. *The total number of deaths in 2019 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - d. *The total number of sudden deaths in 2019*
3. 2020:
  - a. *The total number of all deaths in 2020*
  - b. *The total number of deaths in 2020 caused by covid-19*
  - c. *The total number of deaths in 2020 caused by other respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - d. *The total number of deaths in 2020 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*

- e. *The total number of sudden deaths in 2020*
- 4. 2021:
  - a. *The total number of all deaths in 2021*
  - b. *The total number of deaths in 2021 caused by covid-19*
  - c. *The total number of deaths in 2021 caused by other respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - d. *The total number of deaths in 2021 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - e. *The total number of sudden deaths in 2021*

### **Hospitalisations/conditions**

- 1. 2018:
  - a. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2018 caused by respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - b. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2018 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - c. *The total number of admissions in 2018 to Crevichon Ward*
- 2. 2019:
  - a. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2019 caused by respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - b. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2019 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - c. *The total number of admissions in 2019 to Crevichon Ward*
- 3. 2020:
  - a. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2020 caused by covid-19*
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  - d. *The total number of admissions in 2020 to Crevichon Ward*
- 4. 2021:
  - a. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2021 caused by covid-19*
  - b. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2021 caused by other respiratory viral/bacterial infections (for example, flu or pneumonia)*
  - c. *The total number of hospitalisations in 2021 caused by heart disease, cardiac arrests and strokes*
  - d. *The total number of admissions in 2021 to Crevichon Ward*

### **Response provided by Health & Social Care:**

#### **Deaths**

Public Health is unable to provide this data at the moment due to existing workloads and the need for the management of COVID-19 to take priority. In order to analysis and supply the data requested, Public Health would need to redeploy a member of staff from existing

COVID-19 duties and that cannot be justified at the moment. However, this is work that is planned for early Quarter 2 of this year so we will be able to supply the requested data at that stage.

Please note that ‘sudden deaths’ is not data that Public Health collates.

### **Hospitalisations/conditions**

NOTE: The diagnosis figures are based on clinical coding of admissions. This is done after the patient’s discharge from hospital. At present 2021 clinical coding is 95% complete therefore not all admissions may be included for 2021. Previous figures provided by HSC for these diagnoses were provided when the clinical coding was 85% complete therefore there has been an increase in some figures. Previous years clinical coding is complete.

The table below is showing the number of individuals admitted to hospital between 2018 – 2021 by year, showing the primary coded diagnosis for their admission. Cardiac arrest figures for the Emergency Department (ED) attendances have been included as hospital admissions are usually coded with the reason for the cardiac arrest rather than the event itself. Please note the figures are showing acute presentations of these diseases and do not include admissions for chronic presentations.

<b>Number of Patient Admissions</b>					
<b>Diagnosis</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
<b>Admissions</b>					
Covid- 19			17	32	49
Influenza	29	14	5		48
Pneumonia	123	128	81	70	402
Stroke	44	60	58	70	232
Heart Attack	50	43	66	65	224
Heart Disease	40	27	41	31	139
Cardiac Arrest	1	5	3	5	14
<b>Admissions Total</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>1108</b>

**Emergency Department  
Attendances**

Cardiac Arrest            25    32    25    38    120

**Grand Total            312   309   296   311   1228**

Pneumonia admissions include both bacterial and viral pneumonias.

Stroke figures are for ischemic strokes (i.e. cerebral infarction – death of brain tissue due to disrupted blood supply to that area). Please note stroke figures published earlier this year included haemorrhagic stroke (i.e. bleeds on the brain), however these types of strokes are not included in this response. Only strokes caused by infarction have been included as this is usually what members of the public would think of as a stroke (i.e. one linked to act FAST symptoms).

Heart disease figures include acute ischemic heart disease, acute angina and myocarditis.

The table below is showing the number of admissions to Crevichon from 2018 – 2021 by year.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of Admissions to Crevichon</b>
2018	173
2019	115
2020	133
2021	94
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>515</b>