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I am responding to your request for information received 13 January 2021, which you clarified on 14 January 2021. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

When an organisation receives a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, it is allowed under the Act to apply a blanket exemption to this where it has concluded that providing a response would take in excess of eighteen hours. When the cost of compliance and extracting information would exceed eighteen hours, a cost limit of £450 can be applied. This is explained in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to eighteen hours work.

Having reviewed your request, the Trust has noted that it would not be able to all the information requested within the eighteen hours specified in the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In order to assist you with your request, I have advised below the timing each question would take in order to assist you to refine your request. If you wish to refine your request to comply with the 18 hour time limit, please do get in touch

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Keshia Harvey  
Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

Chair: Mark Lam

Interim Chief Executive: Paul Calaminus

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If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113  
Web: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Request:**

**Under the FOI act, please can you supply me with the following monthly data for the trust, for March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December 2020:**

**Question 1. How many people were unable to have treatments for illnesses and conditions due to the Covid-19/Coronavirus crisis?**

**Question 2. How many of these cases were for life threatening illnesses and conditions?**

**Question 3. How many people had further health complications because of missing these treatments?**

**Question 4. How many people died because of missing these treatments?**

Answer: East London NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health and community health trust and is not an acute trust. This information is not held and therefore not disclosable.

**Question 5. How many mental health admissions were due to COVID 19/coronavirus issues?**

Answer: To answer this question, we would need to manually go to each ward to collate the information. Therefore, the Trust is unable to comply with your request as the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work.

**Question 6. How many Covid 19/Coronavirus patients were in intensive care units?**

Answer: East London NHS Foundation Trust is a mental health and community health trust and is not an acute trust. This information is not held and therefore not disclosable.

**Question 7. Total number of all beds in the trust at the time, not just intensive care?**

Answer: This question could be responded to within the 18 hour time limit.

**Question 8. How many of these beds were occupied?**

Answer: This question could be responded to within the 18 hour time limit.

**Question 9. If applicable, could you also provide the following:**

**Community Occupancy % - i.e. beds in community hospitals.  
Adult Mental Health Beds Occupancy %  
Older Adult Mental Health Occupancy %**

Answer: This question could be responded to within the 18 hour time limit.

**Question 10. How many of the patients died FROM Coronavirus/Covid-19**

Answer: This question could be responded to within the 18 hour time limit.

**Question 11. How many of the patients died WITH Coronavirus/Covid-19**

Answer: This question could be responded to within the 18 hour time limit.

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