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I am responding to your request for information received 19 June 2021. I am sincerley sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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.

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:

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Request

Question 1. Total number of deaths from 2011 to 2021, listed by year.

Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Number of reported deaths
2011	4336
2012	4946
2013	5169
2014	4815
2015	1967
2016	2602
2017	2606
2018	2740
2019	2736
2020	3457
2021	2623

Please note, the table above relates to the number of deaths reported on our clinical systems. Deaths for one person may have been reported multiple times if they were known to different services.

This relates to expected and unexpected deaths.

Question 2. Total number of ICU patients and/or ICU beds used from 2011 to 2021, listed by year. Please supply both if possible.

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—

- (a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and*
- (b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is a mental and community health trust and does not have ICU beds. The Trust does not hold the information requested and is therefore unable to disclose it to you.

Question 3. Total number of deaths where flu was the main cause of death from 2011 to 2021, listed by year.

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Question 4. Total number of deaths where COVID-19 was the sole cause of death listed with no other pre-existing conditions from 2019 to 2021. Please include average age at death if possible.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

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Please note that this figure relates to both inpatient and service users in the community.

Question 5. What illnesses have you used a PCR test to diagnose other than COVID-19 (SARS-Cov-2) and what are the cycle rates (threshold) used to diagnose each illness?

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Question 6. What is the cycle rate (threshold) used on the PCR test when testing for COVID-19 and, if this has changed at any point, please give details?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 7. Does any individual within the organisation set the cycle rates (threshold) for PCR testing, if so please advise details? If not, please confirm where this decision comes from.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 7 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 8. Is the cycle rate (threshold) the same for those who have received a COVID-19 vaccine and for those who have not received a COVID-19 vaccine when testing for COVID-19? If not, please explain why.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 8 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 9. How many doctors, nurses, admin or cleaning staff have died due to COVID-19 only?

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Question 10. Total number of ICU patients and/or ICU beds used for patients who have suffered from COVID-19 only between 2019 and 2021 listed by month. Please supply both if possible.

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Question 11. Total number of ICU patients and/or ICU beds used for patients who have suffered side effects from COVID-19 vaccinations between 2019 and 2021 listed by month. Please supply both if possible.

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Question 12. Please supply any information you hold with regards to PCR cycle rates.

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