

01 July 2020

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**By email**  
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Dear ██████████

### **Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “FOI Act”)**

We refer to your email of 3 June 2020 in which you requested information under the FOI Act from NHS Improvement. Since 1 April 2016, Monitor and the NHS Trust Development Authority have been operating as an integrated organisation known as NHS Improvement. For the purposes of this decision, NHS Improvement means Monitor and the TDA.

### **Your request**

You made the following request:

*“I would like to request a Freedom of Information in relation to the national number of deaths of patients who were on an elective waiting list/scheduled to have an elective inpatient procedure and did not receive treatment (i.e. died before their elective) per week (or month) over the period of 2018-2019. It would be appreciated if this could be provided as an excel or csv file disaggregated according to the main ICD-10 classification for primary diagnosis (e.g. ICD J00-J99, ICD I00-I99 etc). In addition to this, it would be appreciated if some descriptive statistics for the length of time individuals were waiting accompanied each week (e.g. the mean, median, 25th and 75th percentile for each week).”*

### **Decision**

NHS Improvement does not hold the information that you have requested.

### **Review rights**

If you consider that your request for information has not been properly handled or if you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you can try to resolve this informally with the person who dealt with your request. If you remain dissatisfied, you may seek an internal review within NHS Improvement of the issue or the decision. A senior member of NHS Improvement’s staff, who has not previously been involved with your request, will undertake that review.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the FOI Act.

A request for an internal review should be submitted in writing to FOI Request Reviews, NHS Improvement, Skipton House, 80 London Road, London SE1 6LH or by email to [nhsi.foi@nhs.net](mailto:nhsi.foi@nhs.net).

### **Publication**

Please note that this letter will shortly be published on our website. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the FOI Act is disclosed to the public at large. We will, of course, remove your personal information (e.g. your name and contact details) from the version of the letter published on our website to protect your personal information from general disclosure.

Yours sincerely,

**NHS Improvement**