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I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 21st June 2012. Your request sought information relating to agency staffing and Covid-19.

1. How many of the total number of agency staff (at Morriston hospital), were already employed by the health board and were working as bank staff 01 January 2020 through to 01 April 2021.

Nil staff. Please note that agency staff cannot work in the same Health Board where they have a bank or substantive position.

2. Overall percentage of agency staff employed by the health board in comparison to the number of agency staff who had completed Infection control and Safeguarding training and dementia training for the last 3 years.

I can confirm that Swansea Bay Health Board does not hold this information centrally. All agency staff registered to work in the Health Board have to have a completed training checklist as per Appendix 1.

3. Numbers of patients on a month by month basis who had negative COVID tests on admission to Morriston hospital but had a subsequent positive COVID test during admission from 01 January 2020 through to current date

You clarified on 23rd June 2021 that you are referring to patients whose first test on entry to any area of the hospital site was negative through any admission route. You would also like to know many of these patients then went on to test positive within 30 days of their admission.



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Please note that we are not able to provide a breakdown by month as due to the low numbers involved, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore providing a total for the specified period.

175 patients.

4. Number of patients who were deemed to be a failed discharge from Morriston hospital with a positive COVID test immediately on readmission and their age group e.g 30-40; 40-50; 60-70; 70-80; 80-90; 90-100yrs etc on a month by month basis from 01 January 2020 to 01 April 2021.

You clarified on 23rd June 2021 that by "failed discharge" you are referring to patients who have been discharged but subsequently readmitted within 2 days.

Please note that we are not able to provide a breakdown by age group and month as due to the low numbers involved, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore providing a total for the specified period.

6 patients had a positive COVID-19 test results after a readmission that occurred within 2 days of previous discharge in the specified period.

5. Number and percentage of patients out of total admissions with confirmed hospital acquired COVID infection and the criteria used to calculate hospital acquired COVID infection.

In the period 01.01.20 to 30.06.21, 397 patients had a case of "definite" hospital-acquired COVID-19. This was 0.78% of all admissions in the same period.

We define a case of "definite" hospital-acquired COVID-19 as a patient who tests negative on admission to hospital, then subsequently testing positive 15 or more days after admission.

6. Number of patients by month who were discharged without a COVID retest after being an inpatient for up to 6 nights 01 January 2020 through to 01 March 2021.

You clarified on 23rd June 2021 that you are referring to the number of patients who had a negative test on admission (admitted through A&E or directly to ward) and did not have a COVID test on discharge.

We have provided figures for patients who only received one test (with a negative result) during their period of stay as an inpatient. Please note that these figures include patients admitted and discharged the same day (i.e. discharge within 24 hours of first test).

Discharge month	Patients
Mar '20	98
Apr '20	197
May '20	354
Jun '20	248
Jul '20	218
Aug '20	178



Sep '20	532
Oct '20	827
Nov '20	739
Dec '20	730
Jan '21	968
Feb '21	1024

7. Number of patients on Ward V (surgical) at Morriston hospital who tested positive for COVID on a week by week basis for the whole of December 2020.

Please note that we are not able to provide a breakdown by week as due to the low numbers involved, there is a potential risk of identifying individuals if this was disclosed. We are therefore providing a total for the specified period.

17 patients tested positive for COVID-19 on Ward V in December 2020.

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

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Yours sincerely



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