

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 21-138	12 th April 2021
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From your email I believe that there is one (1) request to provide information and that is to provide clear information (including emails as necessary) as to who within the LHB Trust Board/Management took the decision to issue multiple/blanket DNRs, when that decision was made and to what categories of patient was it applied.

I can confirm that throughout the COVID pandemic the Health Board followed recommendations set out in the All Wales DNACPR policy including the most recent version approved in November 2020 attached. At all times the principles of the Wales DNACPR policy were followed which aims to ensure:

- Patient wishes are respected
- Decisions reflect the best interest of the individual
- Benefits do not outweigh burdens
- DNACPR decision is clearly recorded and communicated between healthcare professionals

Any discussion should be based on individual circumstances - following shared decision making principles. Participation in advanced care planning is a voluntary process and is separate from any clinical decisions regarding cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Clinicians responsibilities regarding DNACPR decision making are set out by the General Medical Council (further information is available here link).

At all times with respect to DNACPR decisions the key factor and decision making has always been based on an individual's needs taking into consideration patient wishes, family wishes and clinical consideration of the likelihood of success of any intervention.

I believe that the response to your FOIA has been completed and the request will be now be closed.