

Freedom of Information Regu	st FOI 21-148	19 th April 2021

- Please provide information showing the number of RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013) reports submitted by Aneurin Bevan University Health Board to the HSE (Health & Safety Executive) since 1st March 2020 in relation to the following:
 - accidents or incidents at work which have, or could have, led to the release or escape of coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) (dangerous occurrences).
 - 2. a person at work (a worker) having been diagnosed as having COVID-19 attributed to an occupational exposure to coronavirus (a case of disease).
 - 3. the death of a worker as a result of occupational exposure to coronavirus (a work-related death due to exposure to a biological agent).

Reporting is in accordance with 'RIDDOR reporting of COVID-19' webpage here:

https://www.hse.gov.uk/coronavirus/riddor/index.htm

To date the Health Board have reported a total of 11 COVID incidents to the Health and Safety Executive to comply with the RIDDOR requirements. All of these incidents fall into the category of a Dangerous Occurrence (accidents or incidents at work which have, or could have, led to the release or escape of coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)

2. Please could you tell me how many staff employed by Aneurin Bevan University Health Board have been unable to return to work since testing positive for COVID-19 since 1st March 2020. This is to analyse and quantify the prevalence of Long COVID symptoms following a confirmed or suspected infection in healthcare workers.

The data on our Electronic Staff Record (ESR) cannot confirm whether an individual has tested positive for Covid. However, Managers are able to record reasons for absence linked to covid, and this is classified as S27 – Infectious Diseases (Covid). According to our records the following number of long term sickness cases were recorded (absence of 28 consecutive days or more) since 1st March 2020:

	Total
Returned to work	265
Still Absent	44
Grand Total	309