

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-294	26 th July 2022
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I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Aneurin Bevan University Health Board. Please could you provide me with:

1) The number of Aneurin Bevan UHB staff absent due to Long Covid as of July 2022, broken down by staff group (Doctors, nurses, midwives etc.)

Please find attached the information requested for the number of staff absent due to long COVID as of July 2022 for all staff groups.

Please note the Health Board has applied Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Health Board will not provide the exact numbers due to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less). The Health Board believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified, when considered with other information already available within the public domain, if this was disclosed. Therefore, the data is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

- How many of these staff members have been absent for a) a month
 b) two months c) six months d) more than a year.
 Please refer to Q1.
- The number of Aneurin Bevan UHB staff absent due to Long Covid who are on COVID-related sick pay (as detailed <u>here</u>) as of 29th June 2022, with details of the number of absent staff on full and half pay.

As of 29th June 2022, <5 staff members are on half pay and within category 2 months+, the remaining staff detailed are on full pay are within all the categories.

Please provide the information in the form of either direct answers to the above questions or in a CSV.