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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST FOI2019/0524

Thank you for your request for information.

Wye Valley NHS Trust responds:

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I would be most grateful if you could let me know the following by response of an email:

- In your Trust is there any formal register kept of deaths occurring as a result of withdrawal of Clinically Artificial Nutrition and Hydration (CANH) that occur under the provisions of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and BMA/RCP/GMC Guidelines 2018?

No.

- If such a register is kept can you advise if there is any independent internal or external audit made of such deaths and the degree to which there is compliance with the BMA/RCP/GMC Guidelines, 2018 when such deaths occur?

See above.

- Where deaths due to withdrawal of CANH are recorded and an audit is made of these, can you give an indication of the number such deaths in 2018 and in 2019 and the percentage of cases where the BMA/RCP/GMC Guideline Checklist has been used and fully completed?

There is no recorded data held for this.

If you have queries or any concerns contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Wye Valley NHS Trust
Monkmoor Court
31-34 Commercial Road
Hereford
HR1 2DX

Email: freedom.information@wvt.nhs.uk

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Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113 www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Coordinator

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