FOI 3099

Date 17/06/2024

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1. How many patients within the trust have been infected by NHS blood, blood products or tissue contaminated with HIV or hepatitis C or have developed a chronic infection from blood contaminated with hepatitis B?

3 patients

1. **Of those, how many have died in the last 5 years ? Broken down by financial years between April 6 - April 5 (2019/2020, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24)**

None of the patients have died in the last 5 years.

1. **Of those, how many are still living and under the care of the trust?**

No patients are currently under active care of the Trust

1. **Of those living, what are the ages, ethnicity, gender of the patients?**

Exempt under Section 40 – Personal Information. Due to the small number of patients this affects we are conscious that revealing this information could identify them.

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 Yours sincerely,

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