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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

 The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a primary cause.

We have only kept records on primary and secondary cause of death since January 2017. Prior to that, we have all the Medical cause of death certificate stubs within the book, but ascertaining this information would take longer than the s.12 timescale to review.

We have reviewed the database from 2017 to present, and there are no cases where malnutrition features in either a primary or secondary position.

However, it must also be noted that any concern around malnutrition following death must be referred to the coroner and they do not provide us with the outcome of their cases.

2) The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a primary cause and the deceased was aged 65 or over.

See Q1

3) The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a primary cause and the deceased was aged 18 or under.

We do not have any records on deaths of patients under 18, as these are all referred to the Child death panel.

4) The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a secondary cause.

See Q1

5) The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a secondary cause and the deceased was aged 65 or over.

See Q1

6) The number of deaths at your hospital registered in each calendar year from 2015 to 2018 where malnutrition was cited as a secondary cause and the deceased was aged 18 or under.

See Q3