

Our Ref: 327/2020
December 2020

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

How many deaths have occurred from February 2020 to December 2020;

- 1) From COVID-19 and or Coronavirus; without any of the individuals having any pre-existing and or any underlying medical conditions;
- 2) How many deaths have occurred from any medical causes, which also had COVID -19 and or Coronavirus on the death certificates, from February to December 2020;
- 3) How many deaths attributed to COVID-19 coronavirus have had autopsies carried out from February 2020 to December 2020;

As of 26 January 2021, 709 deaths have been reported with COVID-19 having played a role. Going through each to see if COVID-19 was the sole factor in death, and what other conditions were at play, would require a manual audit of patient notes and would therefore exceed the s.12 timescale of the FOIA 2000.

More information on COVID-19 related deaths is accessible, here:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/>