

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

DATE RECEIVED	25/03/2022	SUBJECT	COVID-19 - Absence		
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Question/s to be Answered

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I'm requesting the following information on employees with post-Covid syndrome.

- 1) How many employees of your health board have an ongoing absence from work owing to illness from COVID-19 that has been ongoing for 12 weeks or more as of 11 March 2022? **Nil**
 - a. How many of these work in primary care services? **Not applicable**
 - b. How many of these work in secondary care services? **Not applicable**

- 2) How many employees of your health board have had an absence from work owing to illness from COVID-19 that lasted for 12 weeks or more between 30 January 2020 and 11 March 2022? **<5**
 - a. How many of these work in primary care services? **<5**
 - b. How many of these work in secondary care services? **Nil**

Where less than 5 is stated (<5) NHS Shetland does hold this information (s16(1)(a)). This information is exempt (s16(1)(b)) under section 38(1)(b) as read with section 38(2)(a)(i).- As the number is less than 5 it is felt that to give any more detailed information would potentially identify individuals.

- 3) How many RIDDOR reports has your health board submitted to HSE since 30 January 2020 relating to:
 - a. accidents or incidents at work which have, or could have, led to the release or escape of coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) (dangerous occurrences)? **Nil reports**
 - b. a person at work (a worker) having been diagnosed as having COVID-19 attributed to an occupational exposure to coronavirus (a case of disease)? **Two reports**
 - c. the death of a worker as a result of occupational exposure to coronavirus (a work-related death due to exposure to a biological agent)? **Nil reports**