

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004

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Category of information requested	H&SC Delivery - Patient / Clinical Management			

Question/s to be answered

1. I would like to know if you can confirm the number of Neonatal deaths in NHS Shetland in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 (to date).

In accordance with FOISA s 16(1), NHS Shetland confirms that it holds the information requested but that it is exempt from disclosure under FOISA s 38(1)(d) as the information constitutes the health record of a deceased person.

There was 1 Neonatal death during this period providing further information would risk identifying individuals.

You may have the right, under the Access to Health Records Act 1990, to apply for access to the record(s). Please refer to the NHS Shetland website (<https://www.shb.scot.nhs.uk/board/subjectaccessrequests.asp>) for details of how to make such an application.

2. Specifically, in the months September 2021 and March 2022, if you could confirm the number of neonatal deaths in this period only, and for each of these deaths please provide me with the COVID vaccination status of the mother (e.g. did they have nil, one or two COVID vaccinations at the time of birth).

There were 0 Neonatal deaths in September 2021 and March 2022.