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Freedom of Information request 015960 - staff with long covid

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information on the number of staff impacted by long Covid under your trust.

How many staff members were recorded to have had long Covid while working for your trust at any time in the period between March 2020 - September 2021?

What were the five longest periods in days that a member of staff took a leave of absence due to long Covid in the time period between March 2020 - September 2021?

Could you state all leave of absences taken where long Covid was cited as the cause between March 2020 and September 2021.

Does your trust offer any specialised support for staff members living with long Covid? If so could you please provide details of these services.

What plans, if any, are in place to improve the support available to staff members who are living with long Covid while working for your trust?

If a staff member is off with long covid it will be recorded under 'covid' there is no separate field for long covid so the Trust is unable to run a report for this information.

The Trust has long covid clinics that patients and staff are able to access, to see previous responses please go to the disclosure log on the Trust's external website - Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (dgft.nhs.uk) and in the search box type 'long'

Human Resource Business Partners work with Managers to ensure appropriate support is provided for staff who have long covid.