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COVID Hub

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information held by your organisation regarding COVID-19 patient interactions at your COVID-19 hub (or equivalent service), for the prior 12 months up to the latest data point available, with a particular focus on access to antivirals. The information is expected to be received as aggregated totals.

Patient Attendance

- How many patients in total have accessed the service in the last 12 months?

What referral method to the service made up the contribution of all referrals?

- HCP Referral (primary care)
- HCP Referral (secondary care)
- Patient Self-referral
- Other

Daily Interventions

- How many patients were qualified to receive some sort of pharmacological intervention (aligned to NICE), regardless of whether they went on to receive treatment?
- How many patients received pharmacological treatment?
- For patients who did not receive pharmacological treatment, what were the top 3 reasons for a patient not receiving treatment? e.g.: Outside of treatment window, not eligible (NICE), watch & wait, symptoms not severe enough, late positive test result, etc.
- For those patients that did receive treatment, what was their main underlying primary condition that qualified them to be eligible to receive treatment?

o e.g. Solid Cancer, immune suppressed, renal disease, etc.

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Capacity

- **How many HCPs do you have within the COVID-19 service?**
- **i.e. no. of prescribers, no. of additional staff, etc.**

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust have not had a COVID-19 Hub (or equivalent service) in the last 12 months