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Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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Information Requested:

I write regarding the testing regime of Public Health Wales during the COVID-19 pandemic and would be grateful if you could provide me with information on the following please:

1. A weekly breakdown of tests carried out on patients discharged from hospital to care homes between 18 March and 22 May.
2. A weekly breakdown of test results carried out on patients discharged to care homes between 18 March and 22 May.
3. How many patients discharged into care homes who later tested positive.
4. How many patients discharged into care homes who were asymptomatic.
5. A weekly breakdown of average wait times for test results for care homes between 18 March and 22 May.

Information provided for the answer:

Thank you for your recent request.

Through routine surveillance Public Health Wales does not have access to the data you have requested.

In answer to question 5 we can provide cumulative time to report results by month for residents and key workers. The data granularity is only adequate to identify Care Home tests from the beginning of April.

The table below shows the cumulative time to report the results by month for Residents and Key Workers.

Category	Month	Cumulative percentage reported		
		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Resident	April	60.7	97.2	99.2
	May	44.8	83.9	95.3
Key Worker	April	63.6	95.6	98.8
	May	45.7	86.3	96.0

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