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Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

FOI Reference: FOI 217

Date request received 15/05/2019

Date information is due to be sent N/A

Information requested:

Please could you send me information under the freedom of information act, on the confirmed genotype and vaccination status of each lab confirmed measles cases in the U.K. 1990 to present 09/05/19.

Information provided for the answer:

Thank you for your email dated 09th May 2019. We responded to you via email on 10th May 2019 as follows:

Public Health England collate this data at a UK level, so it would probably be best for you to direct your enquiry there.

We hold some data for cases in Wales, this would only be readily accessible for cases from 2013. We would certainly be unable to fulfil this request for every case from 1990 onwards.

Genotyping is carried out centrally for England and Wales by PHE on a proportion on confirmed cases and we are not informed of the genotype for all cases, so again PHE would be best placed to advise here.

I can retrieve the data for Wales as mentioned above, but as I said you would get a fuller picture from contacting Public Health England. Let me know how you would like us to proceed.

I then followed up this email on 20th May 2019 to check how you would like us to proceed, but have received no response.

Upon further investigation today, I can see you sent the same request to Public Health England on 09th May 2019 and so I expect you will receive a response from them in the next few days.

As such, I am closing your FOI request with effect from today.

If at any point you would like me to retrieve the data we hold, please let me know and I will arrange this for you.

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