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Thank you for your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("the Act") dated 5 January 2022.

Under the Act you have the right to:

- know whether we hold the information you require
- be provided with that information (subject to any exemptions under the Act which may apply).

We can confirm that the Trust holds the information you have requested. The information you requested is attached.

It is confirmed that as the information has been provided, this request is now closed.

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Should you be dissatisfied with the outcome of the Internal Review, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner. A complaints form can be obtained from the Information Commissioner's website: www.ico.gov.uk or contact:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Telephone: 01625 545745

Feedback

We would be interested to receive feedback as to how you feel your request has been dealt with to help us to understand where we are doing well and to make improvements where necessary; your comments (whether positive or negative) can be made either in writing to the address above or by email.

Yours sincerely

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For Freedom of Information Team

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Request

I would like to please request the following information with regards to notifiable diseases:

Can you please provide the incidence of Vancomycin-resistant Enterococci (VRE) in your trust over the previous 12 months?

From January to December 2021, there were 4 VRE alerts in inpatient urine samples reported.