Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2022.1105
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Thank you for your email received 21 February 2022 requesting information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations.

Please find detailed below a summary of your request, together with our response.

Summary of your original request:
How many people have the Doctors, Nurses and other health care employees working for or on behalf of Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust, either on or off site, administered Covid-19 injections to, to date?

KCHFT recruited 1813 staff onto the COVID-19 bank to support the program along with internal staff who provided additional hours. The number of staff in roles (some staff were able to do multiple roles) are in the table below. Healthcare professionals including doctors, nurses and other registered staff are in the Band 5 or above roles.

Job role	Total Internal Applications
Band 8 - Operational Manager	15
Band 8 - Site manager	17
Band 6 - Clinical supervisor	378
Band 5 - registered health professional	354
Band 4 - Vaccinator	330
Band 3 - Healthcare assistant	196
Band 3 - Administrator	240
Band 2 - cleaner	5
Totals	1535

Have they given these injections to any children, if so how many?

KCHFT has been contracted to deliver the school aged immunisation programme that covered giving vaccines to 12-17 year olds providing 49,707 vaccines. In addition, we have supported vaccines for those clinically extremely vulnerable 5-11 year olds, providing 82.

As part of the legally required process of Informed Consent, before giving these injections:

Were patients routinely informed of the individual risk that Covid-19 posed to them, for their particular age group?

Yes

Were patients routinely informed that these vaccines are still part of an ongoing trial until 2023?

No. Please note that vaccines were under a temporary licence, not a trial.

Were patients routinely informed that these vaccines were authorised for emergency use only?

Yes, until the full licence was granted.

Were patients routinely informed that these mRNA vaccines have never before been used on human beings?

No. Vaccines had all been through human trials before being used in the vaccination programme.

Were patients routinely informed that the vaccine manufacturers currently all have immunity from liability for any adverse events and death?

No.

Were patients routinely informed there is no medium to long term safety data for these vaccines?

All relevant information was given on the extent of the safety data from the MHRA.

Were patients routinely informed there is no data on how these vaccines affect fertility or the reproductive system?

Yes, initially, until safety data became available and updated at which point consent changed.

Were patients routinely informed they can still catch and spread Covid-19 after vaccination?

Yes.

Were patients routinely informed of the constituent components / ingredients of the vaccines they received?

Yes

Were patients routinely made aware of the Yellow Card data for these vaccines, which shows a disturbingly high number of serious injuries and deaths compared to all other vaccines combined over the last 30 years?

Patients were informed to use Yellow Card for reporting adverse effects. Information on adverse effects was given according to MHRA and is now included in the summary of product characteristics.

Exactly what other Informed Consent, if any, was given/obtained, relating to the risks and benefits of these vaccines?

Parents and children were given national leaflets on the COVID-19 vaccine and directed to government website. We are only able to provide you with links to the current documents we are using, as they have changed over time, once the vaccines received licenses and consent changed:
Information for UK recipients on COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca (Regulation 174) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
Regulatory approval of Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine for COVID-19 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
What to expect after your COVID-19 vaccination - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)
PHE_Covid-19_consent_form_adults_able_to_consent_v2 (publishing.service.gov.uk)
COVID-19 Vaccination Consent Form (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Parents were asked specifically if their child:

- had any underlying condition which places them at risk of COVID-19 infection as listed on the leaflet.
- had a severe allergic reaction/anaphylactic reaction to a vaccine, including the COVID-19 vaccination.
- is allergic to Polyethylene glycol (PEG – also known as macrogols).
- had COVID-19 in the last 12 weeks.
- had been involved in COVID-19 trials.
- had previously had a COVID-19 vaccination.