FOI 050/2022 Response

As described on page 6 of the National Quality Board's National Guidance on Learning from Deaths, Trusts are required to collect specified information on deaths:

https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/nqb-national-guidance-learning-from-deaths.pdf

Please may I receive the following data described in that guidance, on a monthly basis from the beginning of 2018 to the most recent month available:

The total number of in-patient deaths (including emergency department deaths)

There were 44 incidents of inpatient deaths that met the NQB scope between Jan 2018 – May 2022

The number of deaths subject to case record review

Of the 44 deaths stated in Q1, 42 deaths have currently been subjected to an Root Cause Analysis (RCA) or mortality case note review.

Of these deaths subjected to review, the number that were judged more likely than not to have been due to problems in care

Of the 44 deaths stated in Q1, 5 incidents received an avoidability score of 3 (probably avoidable), see scoring chart used by the Trust, below.

Score 1: Definitely avoidable

Score 2: Strong evidence of avoidability

Score 3: Probably avoidable (more than 50:50)

Score 4: Possibly avoidable, but not very likely (less than 50:50)

Score 5: Slight evidence of avoidability

Score 6: Definitely not avoidable