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### Our Ref. FOIR 048 022

30 March 2022

Dear ██████████,

I refer to your request dated 21 March 2022 made under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 for records held by the Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA).

Your request was the following:

Correspondence related to the response to COVID-19 between HIQA and Esker Ri Nursing Home from 1 st of January 2021 until 1st of May 2021. The request excludes routine correspondence related to the registration process and report development and publication process. • Copies of all protected disclosures (redacted if necessary) from the 1st of January 2021 made by staff members at Esker Ri Nursing Home until the 1 st of May 2021.

### 1. Decision

A final decision has been made today to refuse your request on the basis that no records relevant to your request were found.

### 2. Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with this decision you may seek an internal review. In the event that you wish to do so, please e-mail [foi@hiqa.ie](mailto:foi@hiqa.ie). The appeal will involve a complete reconsideration of the matter by a more senior member of the staff of HIQA. Please note that a fee of €30 (€10 for medical card holders) applies in the case of an internal review of non-personal FOI requests.

You should make your appeal within 20 working days from the date of this notification. However, the making of a late appeal may be permitted in appropriate circumstances.

### 3. Publication

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It is the policy of HIQA to make decisions on non-personal FOI requests, including this decision letter and a copy of the records released, available to the public on our website <https://www.hiqa.ie/about-us/freedom-of-information>. Any personal information relating to you, such as your name etc., will be removed from the decision letter before this happens. This decision letter and the records released under FOI, will be added to our website approximately one week after today's date.

If you have any queries in relation to this decision, please feel free to contact the FOI Officer Sean Lynch on 085 8050586 or by email at [foi@hiqa.ie](mailto:foi@hiqa.ie).

Yours sincerely,

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