

The Bodies & Truth Being Buried
A Covid Crisis Editorial
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This report deals with two issues which are linked, and which reveal both a callous disregard for life and for the public's right to the truth.

The right to access information

Reasons For Making a FOI Request

Our previous Covid special reports (Links Below) revealed horrific examples of loss of life and suffering as well as exposing what happens to those who try to do something to stop it.

[The Covid Crisis in social Care](#)

[Shield The Vulnerable Except Those In Care?](#)

[Voices From The Frontline,Homecare](#)

[Half Of All Covid Deaths](#)

[The Care industry Billions](#)

[When The Silence Wins](#)

[Truth Must Speak Louder](#)

[Covid special The Ongoing Damage](#)

[The Killer Policy](#)

From my work above it became clear that the highest proportion of helpline contacts were from staff working in residential care homes (Without Nursing) From a total of **201** calls **121** were from residential care homes.

All helpline contacts are raising very serious and specific concerns relating to the different care settings they are working in.

Residential care staff were raising the following examples, note this list is not exhaustive but a summery.

Lack or rationing of PPE.

Covid 19 patients being admitted to the home from hospitals.

Dementia residents wandering into people rooms and spreading the Covid virus.

The expectation that barrier nursing could be provided in homes with no nursing staff and no barrier equipment for staff.

People with Covid 19 not being sent to hospital when they needed medical care.

People Dying of Covid 19 who were not on drips so could not take fluids resulting in serious suffering.

People with Covid 19 who could not breathe and who needed Oxygen suffering and dying in distress.

Whistleblowers being ignored or forced out for speaking up.

Lack of staffing leading to exhausted staff and neglected residents.

For these reasons I wanted to know how many people died from Covid 19 in nursing homes and how many in **residential** care homes. The ONS were unable to provide this as their data was provided by the CQC.

I made a simple Freedom of Information request to the CQC asking for the total Covid 19 deaths in residential homes and nursing homes separately.

Their Response in summery clearly relies on the following reasons for refusing, (See their full response pictured)

Providing me with this information would confuse the public.

Providing me with this information may identify care homes.

A search on the website www.carehome.co.uk listed for residential care homes a total of **12621**.

I fail to see how my request for overall deaths from Covid 19 in residential care homes would identify any one home.

As to confusing the public, most people with no understanding of care homes would presume all homes had nursing care to some degree and that if people were dying in these homes, they would receive the correct medical care. Therefore, the public interest is served by informing the public of the facts.

People have the right to know how many people died in a setting that could **not** provide the medical care that may have saved them or at least ensured they were not suffering especially at a time so many medical beds were available in the NHS.

I consider that denying vulnerable people basic medical care on the grounds they are vulnerable people, to be a human rights atrocity and a crime against humanity and I ask again that this information is released by CQC.

There is also a question over the accuracy of the overall data being provided by CQC but that is a matter for a public inquiry at a future date.

We also raise the serious questions in relation to the health and safety of staff working in all homes but in residential care homes there is specifically the question regarding the complete lack of training or medical background which may well have contributed to healthcare staff deaths as a result. Basic infection control measures would be entirely

ineffective in such an environment and in such circumstances.

Petition To Parliament

*Our grateful thanks to Christine England for obtaining all the evidence below.

On 8th April 2020 we were alerted by a Sky News article to a Government policy to discharge NHS patients who had COVID19 or were untested to care homes. We were also receiving what very shortly became a growing number of concerns from Whistleblowers on this issue. We were shocked at this news and published [Shield The Vulnerable Except Those In Care](#) and submitted a petition to the Parliamentary petitions website, which was rejected by email on 19th May 2020, even though acknowledged on 8th April 2020.

Rejected petition

Stop discharging NHS patients with Covid19 into care homes, Give care Staff PPE

NHS patients with Covid19 are currently being discharged into care homes to free up NHS beds. This puts Residents & Staff in these care homes at risk. Currently the advice to vulnerable people is self isolate. We ask government to stop this practice in order that care home residents can be shielded

[More details](#)

Stop vulnerable people being put at risk, provide all social care staff with full PPE to give them the best protection available. No one with suspected Covid19 should be admitted to a care home under any circumstances.

This petition was rejected

Why was this petition rejected?

There's already a petition about this issue. We cannot accept a new petition when we already have one about a very similar issue.

You are more likely to get action on this issue if you sign and share a single petition.

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/315346>

We only reject petitions that don't meet the [petition standards](#).

Date submitted

8 April 2020

[Get petition data \(json format\)](#)

[About petition data](#)

This was the reason given for rejection but the facts in the data about the two petitions show it is untrue.

We rejected your petition "Stop discharging NHS patients with Covid19 into care homes, Give care Staff PPE"

From: Petitions: UK Government and Parliament <no-reply@petition.parliament.uk>
Sent: 19 May 2020 16:17
To: Compassion In Care <info@compassionincare.com>
Subject: We rejected your petition "Stop discharging NHS patients with Covid19 into care homes, Give care Staff PPE"

Dear Eileen Chubb,

Sorry, we can't accept your petition – "Stop discharging NHS patients with Covid19 into care homes, Give care Staff PPE".

There's already a petition about this issue. We cannot accept a new petition when we already have one about a very similar issue.

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Click this link to see your rejected petition:

[View your rejected petition](#)

Untrue - when Compassion In Care petition was submitted there was no similar petition as the data shows the other petition was not submitted until 3 days later ie 11th April 2020

We only reject petitions that don't meet the petition standards:

<https://petition.parliament.uk/help#standards>

Compassion In Care's petition did meet all the standards

If you want to try again, click here to start a petition:

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/check>

Thanks,

This is the other petition which was said to be the reason for rejecting Compassion In Care's petition. **Please note that this one did not refer, as ours did, to "give care Staff PPE" which is a very sensitive topic in this crisis.** It only mentioned "resources" in a very general way near the end.

petition.parliament.uk/petitions/315346

Change the policy on discharging covid 19 hospital patients into care homes.

The government should provide alternative care for elderly Covid-19 patients who need discharging from hospital. These patients should not be going into care homes until we know they are no longer infectious. The government should consider the use of empty hotels instead, or use of negative testing

[More details](#)

The policy needs changing as knowingly allowing people with covid-19 into a care home full of the elderly is life threatening.

Care homes are already overstretched, with limited staffing and resources. The resources needed to protect staff and residents even further would be enormous.

[Sign this petition](#)

6 signatures

Below are screenshots of the petition data for each showing that our petition was submitted **3 days** before the other one, with twice as many signatures at time of submission so we leave readers to draw their own conclusions as to the real reason for rejection of Compassion In Care's petition.

These can be read more easily at <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/314789.json> and <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/315346.json>

Compassion In Care petition to Parliament re COVID & PPE - 8th April 2020 with 12 signatures on submission

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Extract from data of the other petition which Parliamentary petitions website claimed was already in existence and the reason why Compassion In Care petition was rejected

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Summary By Eileen Chubb

I would end this report by asking people to note that WBUK have full access to parliament, a parliamentary pass and email. In spite of all the evidence we have published showing their gross misconduct, including Sir Norman Lambs resignation letter citing WBUK lack of transparency.

Compare The WBUK website with that of a **genuine** whistleblowing organisation, Compassion in Care's website proves beyond any doubt that WBUK are masquerading as a whistle-blower support organisation. The weekly output of work by Compassion in Care is more than the entirety of the WBUK website content.

We have published evidence that proves WBUK are in the pay of unscrupulous corporate lobbyists and pushing an agenda for bounty hunting law.

During the Covid 19 Crisis WBUK and protect have raised one issue only and that is the concept of incentives for staff to report fraud.

Thousands have died needlessly, yet our evidence from over 200 care home staff **during** Covid 19 and over 8000 Whistleblowers in total. We are the charity that exposed the government policy on Covid 19 in care homes yet we are the organisation blocked by the same

parliament that harbours WBUK. The parliamentary system has been brought into disrepute and without question every MP has aided and abetted the dishonesty and compounded the injustice to Whistleblowers by their continual harbouring of WBUK and their deafening silence.

Very soon we will be publishing information on the actions of WBUK that can only bring down all those who have consorted and conspired with them.

We are proud to stand on the side of justice and truth.