

## APPENDIX

**Supplementary table 1:** Jurisdictions of coroners who issued Prevention of Future Deaths reports involving SARS-COV-2 in England and Wales between 01 January 2020 and 28 June 2021. Created by the authors.

Region	No. of cases (%)
<b>North West England</b>	<b>9 (39.1)</b>
Greater Manchester	6 (26.1)
Manchester South	2 (8.7)
County of Cumbria	1 (4.3)
<b>South East</b>	<b>5 (21.6)</b>
Brighton and Hove	3 (13.0)
Mid Kent and Medway	1 (4.3)
North East Kent	1 (4.3)
<b>London</b>	<b>4 (17.3)</b>
Inner North London	3 (13.0)
East London	1 (4.3)
<b>East of England</b>	<b>3 (13.0)</b>
Norfolk	2 (8.7)
Suffolk	1 (4.3)
<b>Yorkshire and the Humber</b>	<b>1 (4.3)</b>
North Yorkshire	1 (4.3)
<b>West Midlands</b>	<b>1 (4.3)</b>
Black County	1 (4.3)
<b>North East</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>East Midlands</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>South West</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Wales</b>	<b>0</b>

**Supplementary table 2:** Concerns raised by coroners in Prevention of Future Deaths reports involving COVID-19 in England and Wales between 01 January 2020 and 28 June 2021. Created by the authors.

Concerns	No. of cases (%)
<b>Communication (30%)</b>	
Poor communication	8 (42)
Failure to keep accurate medical records/care plans	5 (26)
Failure to consider how COVID-19 would affect appointments	3 (16)
Failure to take informed consent	1 (5)
Failure to follow advice	1 (5)
Failure to inform family on patient's progress	1 (5)
<b>Failure to follow protocols (23%)</b>	
Failure to regularly monitor/observe the patient	4 (36)
Failure to follow a protocol	1 (9)
Omission of necessary treatment	1 (9)
Delayed discharge	1 (9)
Failure/delay in an appropriate assessment of the patient	1 (9)
Failure to triage patients appropriately	1 (9)
Failure to arrange supervision	1 (9)
Failure to review medicines	1 (9)
<b>Resources (16%)</b>	
Absence/lack of awareness of appropriate protocols/national guidelines	4 (40)
Understaffing	3 (30)
Shortage/lack of availability of appropriate medical/safety equipment	2 (20)
Protocols not clear and interpreted wrongly	1 (1)
<b>Education and training (19%)</b>	
Poor clinical decision making	3 (30)
Inappropriate dosage for the patient	2 (20)
Inadequate training	1 (10)

Poor awareness of symptoms	1 (10)
Failure to appreciate the risk	1 (10)
Lack of training in drug administration	1 (10)
The incorrect drug administered	1 (10)
<b>Safety (12%)</b>	
Safety of facilities	3 (50)
Poor systems	2 (33)
Inadequate discharge process	1 (17)