

# Israel's Health Ministry: No young adults without preexisting conditions died of COVID-19

**Health Ministry says 0 reports of people 18-50 dying of COVID-19 without preexisting conditions - but bases its information only on epidemiological investigations.**

Former MK Moshe Feiglin published on Twitter a Health Ministry response to queries regarding various coronavirus statistics.

In the document, the Health Ministry clarified that no adults without preexisting conditions who were between the ages of 18-49 at the time of their death, died of coronavirus.

At the same time, the Ministry emphasized that its information is "based on information which the patients themselves or their family members volunteered as part of an epidemiological investigation, if an investigation was conducted and the patient chose to share [the information] with the investigator."

Therefore, the Ministry emphasized, "The existing information does not necessarily reflect the patient's medical situation."

Feiglin, however, wrote that the government "locked you up in your homes, and stole a year of normal education from your children...all for a 'plague' which hurt zero citizens below the age of 50 without preexisting conditions."

Feiglin's statement ignores the significant burden of long COVID, which affects between 10-50% of those infected with COVID-19; 65% of those individuals were [still suffering 1.5 years later](#). At the same time, it raises

the question of how much a society is willing to do in order to protect its most vulnerable members.

The query to the Health Ministry also included a question on how many cardiac arrest events occurred annually between the years 2018-2022. Responding to this, the Health Ministry provided information on the years 2018-2020, but said that it had not yet received the information for the years 2021-2022, and thus could not provide this information.

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