

Information Governance

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Response Due: 11th December 2019

4th December 2019

Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

In accordance with the FOI Act 2000, please find below a FOI request with enclosed questions.

I am looking for this information due to establishing a better understanding of the needs of any cancer services you provide, along with the service users covered. No documentation is required, however full and clear disclosure is appreciated.

Unless otherwise stated, all questions relate to Nursing usage only.

- Please provide name and contact details (email address and telephone number where possible) of any Lead Cancer Nurses and Cancer Managers you have within your Trust, broken down by site, and then department and speciality of cancer.
 - 1 x Lead Cancer Nurse
 - 1 x Cancer Services Manager

It is not Trust policy to release details of members of staff below AfC band 8a.

The Trust does not routinely give out email addresses and direct telephone numbers of staff members as a large number of unsolicited emails/telephone calls could cause disruption to work by blocking email accounts/telephone lines and thereby preventing true work-related emails/calls from being delivered. However any of the above staff can be contacted via main switchboard on 01942 244000:

- 2. How much cancer related agency usage from January 2018 to November 2019 has the Trust used? This is a request for Nursing only. I request for this information to be broken down into the following:
 - a) unit/site and ward/department
 - b) grade/title (i.e. Band 5/6/7 Nurse etc.)
 - c) amount of hours and/or full time equivalent (FTE) broken down per month during the requested time period above
 - d) total cost of agency usage (in £) per month during the requested time period above
 - e) what agencies were used, along with total amount in £ per agency on a monthly basis during the requested time period above

We do not use agency chemotherapy nurses.

3. How does the Trust source any cancer-related Nurse agency requirements? I request your answer include any frameworks that you use along with the number of SLAs you have in place with providers.

We do not use cancer-related agency nurses; if we require staff we use the Christie outreach service to provide a trained chemotherapy nurse.

4. Based on your answer above, can you confirm the number of incidences whereby your agency need has been charged above NHSi cap, broken down per shift on a monthly basis i.e. April 2018 = 25 shifts.

None

5. Who is responsible for making the decision on which agency/recruitment business to use to fulfil your agency nursing requirements. Please include name and contact details (email and telephone number where possible).

Please see response to question 3 (above).

- 6. What are the Trusts current full-time and part-time vacancies for:
 - a) Cancer Clinical Nurse Specialists
 - b) Lead Cancer Nurse
 - c) Cancer Manager
 - d) Chemotherapy Nurses
 - e) Radiology Nurses
 - f) Oncology Nurses

No vacancies

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Richardson Chief Nurse and Director of Infection Prevention and Control

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