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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

1) *The total number of qualified nurses [i.e. Band 5 and above] that you currently employ, in each Agenda for Change band.*

e.g. Band 5: 112 nurses, Band 6: 45 nurses etc

2) *The number of nurses that you currently employ, in each Agenda for Change band, who qualified as a nurse [i.e. obtained their primary nursing qualification] in an EU or EEA country other than the UK.*

e.g. Band 5: 23 nurses, Band 6: 4 nurses, etc.

3) *The number of nurses that you currently employ, in each Agenda for Change band, who qualified as a nurse [i.e. obtained their primary nursing qualification] in a non-EU/EEA country.*

e.g. Band 5: 23 nurses, Band 6: 4 nurses, etc.

Please can you also provide me with the same information as requested in 1) 2) and 3) for the same time [i.e. February] in 2014, 2013 and 2012.

Please find attached a table giving the breakdown of nursing staff by band February 12 – February 15.

With respect to Q2 and Q3 we do not centrally record the country in which nursing staff acquire their primary nursing qualification and are therefore unable to provide this information. However, all nursing staff are required to be registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Council in the UK.

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I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. 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,



Rob Forster
Acting Chief Executive

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