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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.

- 1) ***How many nurses has your Trust actively recruited from outside of the UK in the past year? (from September 2013 to September 2014)?***

36

- 2) ***Of those recruited from question 1, please list which countries those nurses came from and how many nurses came from each country***

| Country | Number |
|-------------|--------|
| Croatian | 1 |
| Cypriot | 14 |
| Czech | 1 |
| Greek | 2 |
| Polish | 2 |
| Portuguese | 3 |
| Romanian | 1 |
| Spanish | 12 |
| Grand Total | 36 |

- 3) ***Of those recruited from question 1, how many still work for your Trust?***

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- 4) ***How many nurses did your Trust actively recruit from outside of the UK between September 2012 and September 2013?***

None

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- 5) ***Of those recruited from question 4, please list which countries those nurses came from and how many nurses came from each country***

N/A

- 6) ***Of those recruited from question 4, how many still work for your Trust?***

N/A

- 7) ***Do you intend to actively recruit nurses from outside of the UK in the next 12 months?***

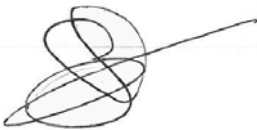
Yes

- 8) ***If your answer to question 7 is 'yes', which countries do you intend to target for this recruitment?***

Portugal / Bratislava / Cyprus. We may also consider non-EU recruitment in the future

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,



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