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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:

I'm wondering if you can help me. I am a producer with BBC News on the health team and we are doing an FOI on the number of vacancies in hospitals – due to a number of reasons, including specific areas that are hard to recruit in.

The request is attached but please let me know if you need any further details.

If you are unable to provide a breakdown for the specific types of nurses/doctors listed, please just provide the data on all nurses and all doctors.

Please see the attached for the information which you requested

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 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,



Andrew Foster

Chief Executive

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