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**Information Governance Department** 

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Ref: FOI/2025/10597

Date Received: 18th March 2025

Response Due: 15th April 2025

Date: 8th April 2025

## Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information:

- I would like to know the number of times a Physician Associate or Anaesthetic Associate has been used to fill in a rota gap for a doctor across each department in the trust, from 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 1 full year.
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- a. Please break down the number per department, and if possible, per month  $\ensuremath{\text{N/A}}.$
- b. Please differentiate between Physician Associate (PA) and Anaesthetic Associate (AA). N/A.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

## Yours sincerely,



Juliette Tait Chief People Officer

## PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111