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Response Due: 29th August 2025

Date: 14th August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 31st July 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:

I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

I am seeking information from your most senior strategic lead for allied health professions to answer the following 10 questions.

- 1. What is the job title of the strategic lead/ most senior Allied Health Professional (AHP) in your Trust?**
 - **Chief AHP**
 - **Director of AHPs**
 - **Other (please specify)**
Chief AHP.
- 2. Is there someone employed in this post currently? Yes, No, If not, why not?**
Yes.
- 3. How many hours a week are dedicated specifically to this role?**
 - **Full time (1.0wte)**
 - **Part time (please specify wte hours)**
 - **Job share (please specify)**
Part time – 22.5 hours.

Do they have other portfolios / operational leadership responsibilities in addition to the strategic leadership of the AHPs in the Trust? For example: quality and safety, patient experience, complaints, workforce, professional development, social work etc If so, what?
No.

4. What Agenda for Change band is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP role?

- 7
- 8A
- 8B
- 8C
- 8D
- 9
- Very senior manager pay scale
- Other (please specify)
Band 8d.

5. If someone is currently in post, are they a HCPC registered Allied Health Professional? Yes No
Yes.

If yes, which allied health profession (please specify):

- Art therapist
- Dietitian
- Drama therapist
- Music therapist
- Occupational therapist
- Operating department practitioner
- Orthoptist
- Osteopath
- Paramedic
- Physiotherapist
- Podiatrist
- Prosthetists and orthotist
- Radiographer
- Diagnostic
- Therapeutic
- Speech and language therapist
Physiotherapist.

6. If they are not a registered AHP, what is their professional background? (Please specify)
N/A.

7. Who does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP report to? (please specify)
Chief Nurse.

8. Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP an executive member of the Trust Board, are they able to vote as a full board member? Yes No
No.

9. Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP a member of any sub committees of the Trust Board, for example quality and safety, workforce, performance? (Please specify)
No.

10. Does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP deputise for an exec member of the board?

No.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Parker-Evans', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Chief Nursing Officer & Director of Infection Prevention and Control

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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
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