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Date Received: 8th October 2025

Response Due: 5th November 2025

Date: 22nd October 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 8th October 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:

1. How many Learning Disability nurses are employed within the Trust?

Please answer this question for the following years: 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 (for the current year please provide the most up to date number).

2021/22 = 16.

2022/23 = 15.

2023/24 = 16.

2024/25 = 17.

2025/26 = 17.

2. If information is available, how many of these work in hospital settings?

1 learning disability nurse has worked within a hospital setting across each of the years requested.

3. What is your vacancy rate for learning disability nurses? Please answer for the following years: 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025.

2021/22 = 0.19

2022/23 = 0.27

2023/24 = 0.82

2024/25 = 0.12

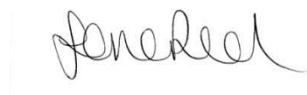
2025/26 = 0.1

4. If you cannot answer the above question please provide how many vacancies you currently have for Learning Disability nurses?

Please see the above response.

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,



Sarah Deakin
Deputy Director of Operations & Performance – Community Division

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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
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