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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 21st November 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 members of staff employed by your organisation have been on long-term sickness absence in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024?

Please see attached

a. At what grades and functions?

Clarification: we are happy to use the term “job group” instead of function if that assists?
Please see attached

b. How many of these members of staff did not return permanently to work by year?

Year	Total
2019	28
2020	44
2021	13
2022	14
2023	22
2024	16

c. How many members of staff employed by your organisation who were no longer able to fulfil their current role has your organisation supported to find alternative roles find alternative roles in other parts of the NHS in 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

The Trust is unable to provide this data as it is not recorded centrally.

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

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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
Wilmslow
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