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Date Received: 11th March 2024

Response Due: 10th April 2024

Date: 9th April 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to your request for information received on 11th March 2024, 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:

- Has your Trust used any outsourced MRI or CT radiology reporting services over the last three years?**
Yes
- If the answer to Question 1 is yes, how much did you spend on outsourced radiology reporting in the last three years?**

	Outsourced MRI reporting spend	Outsourced CT reporting spend
2023/24 (Up to Feb24)	£169,203	£888,313
2022/23	£364,659	£892,787
2021/22	£206,154	£690,167

- Please provide the following information on the diagnostic radiographer workforce, as it pertains to the full diagnostic radiographer workforce at the Trust, as well as those involved in the CT / MRI service:**
 - How many permanent diagnostic radiographer WTE are employed by the Radiography/Imaging department?**
 - How many permanent vacancies are currently open/unfilled within the Radiography/Imaging department for diagnostic radiographers?**
 - How many permanent diagnostic radiographers left the Trust in the last twelve months?**

	All diagnostic radiographers	Within which: CT / MRI radiographers
Current permanent WTE	117.6	39.16
Current vacancies (WTE)	13.88	1.88
Turnover (last 12 months, WTE)	3.85	1

4. Do you currently have a Community Diagnostic Centre (CDC) in place? (Y/N)
Yes
5. If the answer to question 4 is yes:
- Is the CDC operated in-house, in collaboration with another Trust or by a third-party?
In house
 - If the CDC is operated by a third-party or in collaboration with another Trust, which partner(s) are involved in the operation of the CDC?
N/A
 - Are you exploring the option of setting up further CDCs? (Y/N)
No
 - If the answer to 5c is yes, when are you planning to do so?
N/A
6. If the answer to question 4 is no:
- Are you exploring the option of setting up a CDC? (Y/N)
N/A
 - If the answer to 6a is yes, when are you planning to do so?
N/A
 - If the answer to question 6a is yes, are you exploring the option of using third-party providers? (Y/N)
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,



Tabitha Gardner
Chief Finance Officer

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The Information Commissioner's Office
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