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Response Due: 16th August 2024

Date: 16th August 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 19th July 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:

1. **Do you directly employ (i.e., directly pay the salary) HCPC registered prosthetists and orthotists? Please select one of the most appropriate response/s below selected.**
 - Yes, we employ prosthetists
 - Yes, we employ orthotists
 - Yes, we employ prosthetists and orthotists
 - No, we do not currently have a prosthetics or orthotics service at our Trust.
 - No, the prosthetic and/or orthotic service has been contracted to an external supplier

Please note if you do not have a P&O service at your Trust, you do not need to provide any further information. If you have a contracted service please continue.

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2. **Do you directly employ any other prosthetic and orthotic staff? I would like the most appropriate response/s below selected. If other – please explain this response**
 - Apprentices
 - Support workers technicians (working with registered staff to deliver patient care)
 - Technicians (manufacturing)
 - We don't employ these staffing groups
 - Other

No, the Trust does not employ these staffing groups.

- 3. Please confirm how many HCPC registered prosthetists and orthotists are employed in your service. Please express this as whole time equivalent (WTE) where 5 days is equal to 1, 1/2 day is equal to 0.1 WTE, 1 day is equal to 0.2 WTE, 2 days is equal to 0.4 WTE etc.**

For example, if you have 3 orthotists each providing 1 day per week, the response would be 0.6 WTE employed by the Trust.

- 4. Please confirm how many HCPC registered prosthetists and orthotists make up the WTE response provided for Q.3.**

Using the example given in Q3. your response would be 3 orthotists and 0 prosthetists.

0 WTE employed by the Trust.

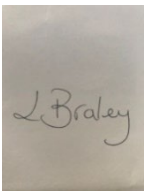
- 5. What is the number of non-registered clinical support staff employed within the service. Please express this as whole time equivalent (WTE) where 5 days is equal to 1, 1/2 day is equal to 0.1 WTE, 1 day is equal to 0.2 WTE, 2 days is equal to 0.4 WTE etc.**

For example, if you have 3 support workers each providing 1 day per week, the response would be 0.6 WTE

0 WTE employed by the Trust.

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 rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in dark ink. The signature appears to be 'L. Braley'.

Lynne Braley
Director of Operations & Performance – Community Division

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
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111