

# Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

NHS Foundation Trust

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Date Received: 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024

Response Due: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to your request for information received on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 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. The total number of shift hours filled by a physician associate, broken down by financial year, since 2010.**

Financial Year	Shift Hours in Total
21-22	2,227
22-23	2,912
23-24	2,611

The Physician Associates employed within the Trust joined in 2020 and 2021 therefore information before this period unfortunately cannot be provided.

- 2. The total number of shift hours filled by a junior doctor, broken down by financial year, since 2010.**

From	To	Total No Hours	Areas Live on Healthroster
Aug-21	Mar-22	72,052.26	A&E, Paediatrics
Apr-22	Mar-23	297,590.77	Gen Surgery, Paediatrics, A&E & Gen Medicine
Apr-23	Mar-24	398,786.23	Gen Surgery, Paediatrics, A&E & Gen Medicine, Obs & Gynae & Trauma & Orthopaedics

The Trust does not hold data dating back to 2010 as we did not have a medical roster system prior to August 2021. The hours provided are for the specialties which there are live rosters on the system.

**3. The total number of shift hours filled by an Anaesthesia Associate, broken down by financial year, since 2010.**

There are no Anaesthesia Associates employed within the Trust.

**4. The total number of shift hours filled by an Anaesthetist, broken down by financial year, since 2010.**

We are unable to provide this information as the information is not held in a reportable or structured format in our central system and records would have to be reviewed manually which would exceed the appropriate time limit. However, the Trust would not hold information dating back to 2010.

**Refusal Notice for question(s)** - The information that you have requested is exempt under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act because it will take more than 18 hours to retrieve and extract the relevant information.

**12. — (1) Section 1(1)** does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

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

**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  
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