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Date Received: 24th August 2023

Response Due: 22nd September 2023

Date: 21st September 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

The questions relate to how much the trust paid consultants during recent industrial action by junior doctors and whether the paid rates in line with the BMA's 'rate card'.

Please answer the following questions:

1.Did the trust pay the hourly rates outlined on the BMA rate card for consultants' non-contractual work, during either of the junior doctors' strikes in July or August? Please answer Yes or No. Please provide a further explanation if the trust wants to expand on the answer.

Yes.

2. If the trust answered "No" to question 1, what was the maximum hourly rate (£/hour) the trust paid for non-contractual shifts, or for consultants to act down during contractual shifts required to cover junior doctors' shifts during either the July or August junior doctors' strike? If you answered "yes" to question 1, please leave this answer blank. Please provide a further explanation if the trust wants to expand on the answer

3. Does the trust pay the hourly rates outlined on the BMA rate card for consultants' noncontractual shifts as of August 2023 for extra shifts taking on by consultants when there is not a strike on? Please answer Yes or No. Please provide a further explanation if the trust wants to expand on the answer

No.

4. If the trust answered "No" to question 3, what is the maximum hourly rate (£/hour) the trust paid consultants for non-contractual shifts as of August 2023? If the trust answered "yes" to question

3, please leave this answer blank. Please provide a further explanation if the trust wants to expand on the answer. $\pounds 125$ per hr

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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