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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

Please can you tell me whether you employ any non-training middle grades in your obstetric unit/s? If so, can you specify how many and which unit they are employed at?

4 - (2 x Specialty Doctor; 1 x Associate Specialist; 1 x Clinical Fellow – All recorded as being Obstetrics)

Can you let me know if you currently have any obstetric vacancies for *non-training middle grades*, registrars or consultants? Has there been any difficulty recruiting either consultants or registrars or non-training grades in recent years?

We currently have 3 consultant vacancies. The recent vacancies had good candidates applying so we do not anticipate any difficulty filling.

Are there, or have there been in recent years, any recruitment programmes (beyond advertising) for obstetric vacancies (i.e. overseas recruitment programmes)? If so, can you specify whether these are either for non-training middle grades, registrars or consultants, and provide information on these programmes (i.e. used Agency X to recruit non-training middle grades from India)? If recruitment programmes have been used, how successful have they been?

We have no international recruitment programmes specifically for obstetrics

Can you also let me know whether there have been any incentives in place at the Trust to attract obstetric non-training middle grades, registrars or consultants? If so I would very much like to see details of these, please.

We have no incentives.

Finally, can you let me know what deanery your obstetric unit/s come under whether obstetric Training Accreditation has been awarded either to the Trust, or to specific sites?

North Western Deanery and currently merged with Mersey Deanery as HENW

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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