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Date: 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021

**Re: Freedom of Information Request 316-2021**

Thank you for your email dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021, requesting information in relation to chemo units Staffing

The information that you require is as follows:

Please see below an FOI request regarding chemotherapy units staffing. Please can you send on to the relevant team for response? Thank you.

**Please note the questionnaire refers only to day patient chemotherapy units treating ADULTS with cancer. Please exclude answers for any units only treating children or non-cancer conditions.**

1) Does your trust host one or more day patient chemotherapy unit (s)?

Yes

If No, please return the questionnaire at this stage – no further questions need to be answered.

If Yes, how many day patient chemotherapy units does your trust host, and on how many sites?

- i) Number of day patient chemotherapy units = **6 units**
- ii) Number of different hospital sites within the trust that provide day patient chemotherapy = **5**

For each separate chemotherapy unit (service), please answer the following questions about the CURRENT situation at your Trust (*please copy the template in order to respond for each unit separately*):

2. For each chemotherapy unit please indicate the following:

Question	Response Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Liverpool (Solid Tumour)																													
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>	Static																													
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	<b>or shifts</b>	
f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021?	<b>2633</b>	

3. For each chemotherapy unit, how many Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) members of staff are currently employed SPECIFICALLY in the chemotherapy unit in the following roles (*please exclude any vacant positions from the number of WTE but include the number in vacancies column*)?

Staff type	Band	Number of WTE (insert number below)	Vacancies (insert number below)
Registered nursing	5	18	3
	6	6	0
	7	1	0
	8a – 8d	2	0
	Nurse consultant	0	0
	Other		
Registered nursing associate	4	0	0
Clinical support staff	2	0	0
	3	8	0
	4	0	0
	Other		

Question	Response Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Liverpool (Haemato-Oncology)		
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? ( <i>delete as appropriate</i> )	<b>Mobile and Static</b>		
b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? ( <i>insert number</i> )	<b>21 chairs</b>		
c) What are the opening hours of the unit for patients ( <i>insert NA if not applicable</i> )?	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>Opening time</b>	<b>Closing time</b>
	Mon	8	6
	Tue	8	7
	Wed	8	6
	Thur	8	7
	Fri	8	6
	Sat	9	5
	Sun	N/A	N/A
	<b>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays)</b>		
d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? ( <i>insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern</i> )	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>All Day</b>	
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	Tue	7	
	Wed	6	
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f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021?	<b>779</b>																											

Staff type	Band	Number of WTE ( <i>insert number below</i> )	Vacancies ( <i>insert number below</i> )
Registered nursing	<b>5</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>7</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>8a – 8d</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Nurse consultant</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Other</b>		
Registered nursing associate	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Clinical support staff	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Other</b>		

Question	Response Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Wirral		
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? ( <i>delete as appropriate</i> )	<b>Static</b>		
b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? ( <i>insert number</i> )	<b>26 chairs</b>		
c) What are the opening hours of the unit for	<i>Day of</i>	<i>Opening</i>	<i>Closing</i>

patients (*insert NA if not applicable*)?

week	time	time
Mon	8	6
Tue	8	6
Wed	8	6
Thur	8	6
Fri	8	6
Sat	N/A	N/A
Sun	N/A	N/A
Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays)	Open Bank Holidays – All day with the exception of Christmas day, Boxing Day and Good Friday	

d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? (*insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern*)

Day of week	All Day	Other shift
Mon	9	
Tue	10	
Wed	9	
Thur	9	
Fri	10	
Sat	N/A	
Sun	N/A	
Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts		

\*\* Numbers vary daily due to number of work streams open. Average number above.

e) How many Clinical Support Workers are rostered to be on duty each day? (*insert target number of staff- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern*)

Day of week	All Day	Other shift
Mon	6	
Tue	5	
Wed	5	
Thur	5	
Fri	5	
Sat	N/A	
Sun	N/A	
Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts		

\*\* Numbers vary daily due to number of work streams open

f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021?

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Staff type	Band	Number of WTE (insert number below)	Vacancies (insert number below)
Registered nursing	5	13	0
	6	8	0
	7	2	0
	8a – 8d	0	0
	Nurse consultant	0	0
	Other		
Registered nursing associate	4	0	0
Clinical support staff	2	0	0
	3	10	1
	4	0	0
	Other		

Question	Response Clatterbridge Cancer Centre – Aintree		
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? (delete as appropriate)	Static		
b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? (insert number)	20 chairs		
c) What are the opening hours of the unit for patients (insert NA if not applicable)?	<i>Day of week</i>	<i>Opening time</i>	<i>Closing time</i>
	Mon	8	6
	Tue	8	6
	Wed	8	6
	Thur	8	6
	Fri	N/A	N/A
	Sat	N/A	N/A
	Sun	N/A	N/A
	<i>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays)</i>	Open Bank Holidays – 8-6 with the exception of Christmas day, Boxing Day and Good Friday	
d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? (insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)	<i>Day of week</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>Other shift</i>
	Mon	5	
	Tue	7	
	Wed	8	
	Thur	6	
	Fri	2	
	Sat	N/A	
	Sun	N/A	
	<i>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts</i>		
<b>** Number varies daily due to number</b>			

e) How many Clinical Support Workers are rostered to be on duty each day? ( <i>insert target number of staff- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern</i> )	<b>of work streams open</b>		
	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Other shift</b>
	<b>Mon</b>	4	
	<b>Tue</b>	4	
	<b>Wed</b>	4	
	<b>Thur</b>	4	
	<b>Fri</b>	2	
	<b>Sat</b>	N/A	
	<b>Sun</b>	N/A	
	<b>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts</b>		
	** Number varies daily due to number of work streams open		
f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021?	1057		

Staff type	Band	Number of WTE ( <i>insert number below</i> )	Vacancies ( <i>insert number below</i> )
Registered nursing	5	11	2
	6	7	1
	7	1	0
	8a – 8d	1	0
	Nurse consultant	0	0
	Other		
Registered nursing associate	4	0	0
Clinical support staff	2	0	0
	3	6	0
	4	0	0
	Other		

Question	Response - Southport/Ormskirk		
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? ( <i>delete as appropriate</i> )	Static		
b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? ( <i>insert number</i> )	8 chairs		
c) What are the opening hours of the unit for patients ( <i>insert NA if not applicable</i> )?	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>Opening time</b>	<b>Closing time</b>
	<b>Mon</b>	8	4:30
	<b>Tue</b>	8	4:30
	<b>Wed</b>	N/A	N/A
	<b>Thur</b>	N/A	N/A
	<b>Fri</b>	N/A	N/A
	<b>Sat</b>	N/A	N/A
	<b>Sun</b>	N/A	N/A

	<b>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays)</b>	<b>The staff in this clinic are provided by the Aintree treatment hub</b>	
d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? <i>(insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)</i>	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Other shift</b>
	Mon	2	
	Tue	2	
	Wed	N/A	
	Thur	N/A	
	Fri	N/A	
	Sat	N/A	
	Sun	N/A	
	<b>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts</b>		
<b>** Bank Holidays - normal working hours</b>			
e) How many Clinical Support Workers are rostered to be on duty each day? <i>(insert target number of staff- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)</i>	<b>Day of week</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Other shift</b>
	Mon	1	
	Tue	1	
	Wed	N/A	
	Thur	N/A	
	Fri	N/A	
	Sat	N/A	
	Sun	N/A	
	<b>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts</b>		
f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021?	48		

**\*Please note, Staff for this clinic are included in the Aintree workforce numbers above.**

Staff type	Band	Number of WTE <i>(insert number below)</i>	Vacancies <i>(insert number below)</i>
Registered nursing	5		
	6		
	7		
	8a – 8d		
	Nurse consultant		
	Other		



Registered nursing associate	4		
Clinical support staff	2		
	3		
	4		
	Other		

Question	Response Halton		
a) Is it a static or mobile unit? <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>	Static		
b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? <i>(insert number)</i>	16 chairs		
c) What are the opening hours of the unit for patients <i>(insert NA if not applicable)?</i>	<i>Day of week</i>	<i>Opening time</i>	<i>Closing time</i>
	Mon	8	6
	Tue	8	6
	Wed	N/A	N/A
	Thur	8	6
	Fri	8	6
	Sat	N/A	N/A
	Sun	N/A	N/A
	<i>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays)</i>	Bank Holidays normal working hours	
d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? <i>(insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)</i>	<i>Day of week</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>Other shift</i>
	Mon	4	
	Tue	4	
	Wed	N/A	
	Thur	4	
	Fri	4	
	Sat	N/A	
	Sun	N/A	
	<i>Comments about variabilities (e.g. bank holidays) or shifts</i>		
e) How many Clinical Support Workers are rostered to be on duty each day? <i>(insert target number of staff- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)</i>	<i>Day of week</i>	<i>All Day</i>	<i>Other shift</i>
	Mon	2	
	Tue	2	
	Wed	N/A	
	Thur	2	
	Fri	2	
	Sat	N/A	
	Sun	N/A	
	<i>Comments about variabilities</i>		

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f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2021?	627

Staff type	Band	Number of WTE (insert number below)	Vacancies (insert number below)
Registered nursing	5	6	0
	6	1	0
	7	1	0
	8a – 8d	0	0
	Nurse consultant	0	0
	Other		
Registered nursing associate	4	0	
Clinical support staff	2	2	0
	3	1	1
	4	0	0
	Other		

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

**In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:**

**<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>**

Kind regards

Margaret Moore  
Information Governance Administrator  
Contact Email: [ccf-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:ccf-tr.foi@nhs.net)