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**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 234-2018**

Thank you for your email dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 requesting information regarding pathology/ laboratory training.

**The FOI request concerns how your trust's laboratories train its student/trainee Biomedical scientists in Point of Care Testing (POCT) to meet the HCPC registration requirements for Biomedical scientists.**

**FOI request**

**For each pathology discipline in your Trust/Health Board (i.e. Microbiology, Haematology, Blood transfusion, Biochemistry, Histopathology etc...);**

- 1. On average how many trainee Biomedical scientist/university biomedical science placement students do you have a year?**
- 2. What types of evidence are used by your students/trainees to meet the HCPC Standards of proficiency for biomedical scientists for standards 14.26 and 14.16 in the certificate of competence i.e. reflective sheet, essay, competency etc...?**
- 3. Approximately how many hours of teaching/training is dedicated to Point of Care Testing (POCT)/ Near patient testing (NPT) for each student/trainee?**
- 4. What types of teaching/training do you give these students/trainees in Point of Care Testing (POCT) i.e. seminars, practical training etc...?**
- 5. Do your students/trainees get a secondment/rotation into a POCT section and if so, for how long?**

**I can confirm that our Trust does not hold any information in this regard. Our Trust does not have a Pathology Department/Laboratory, therefore, the information you have requested is not applicable to our Trust in this instance.**

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

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