

Date: 12 February 2020

Re: Freedom of Information Request
Ref: 14-2020

Thank you for your email dated 15th January 2020 requesting information regarding consultant PA's.

The information that you require is as follows:

1. Does your Trust have an electronic job planning system?

Yes

At your Trust:

2. How many permanent consultant staff (please provide both head count and WTE) were employed in:

- a. November 2017**
- b. November 2018**
- c. November 2019**

	WTE	Headcount
November 2017	48.06	49
November 2018	47.49	49
November 2019	53.86	56

3. How many consultant PAs were fully funded at your Trust (i.e. formally incorporated into job plans as standard PAs or additional PAs) in:

- a. November 2017**
- b. November 2018**
- c. November 2019**

All consultant PA's (Programmed Activities) were fully funded, however following a scoping exercise, it has become evident that in order to meet the full requirements of this question, there would be a significant cost to the Trust as to provide this information would require a bespoke report from our current Clinical Resource Management System provider.

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- 4. How many consultant PAs were delivered at your Trust by permanent consultant staff (i.e. total number of PAs including additional waiting list activity and additional sessions outside the job plan) in:**
- a. November 2017
 - b. November 2018
 - c. November 2019

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- 5. How many Direct Clinical Care PAs (job planned DCC activity) were delivered by permanent consultant staff in:**
- a. November 2017
 - b. November 2018
 - c. November 2019

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6. How many additional extra contractual activity PAs (e.g. Waiting List Initiative PAs and extra clinics) were delivered by permanent consultant staff in:

- a. November 2017
- b. November 2018
- c. November 2019

	Waiting List Activity / Additional Sessions	Comments
November 2017	0	0
November 2018	8 hours	2 staff @ 4 hours each
November 2019	8 hours	2 staff @ 4 hours each

7. In 2019, how many permanent staff consultants at your Trust have applied to reduce the number of PAs they do per week?

1 permanent consultant has applied to reduce the number of PAs they do per week

8. At your Trust, how many of the following have been cancelled or not scheduled due to consultant staff unavailability since the start of 2019?

a. Waiting List Initiative PAs

The records for this only show completed sessions, there is no record of any cancelled or not scheduled sessions.

b. Emergency List PAs

Not applicable.

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.