

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

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Ref: FOI/2024/10127

Date Received: 13th September 2024

Response Due: 18th October 2024

Date: 17th October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 13th September 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, and for the latest date available, please can you provide me with the following information:

- 1. The company names of external contractors currently contracted to provide services in your NHS trust.
- 2. A description of the services provided by these external contractors to your NHS trust.
- 3. The number of staff working for each external contractor at the NHS trust.
- 4. The monetary value of each contract held per annum in GBP broken down by the name of contractor.
- 5. The date which the contracts held between the trust and each external contractor began and are due to expire.
- 6. Whether each external contractor implements NHS Agenda for Change pay awards for their staff working at the NHS trust.

The information requested is not centrally held by Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals. We estimate that compliance with this request for information would exceed the appropriate costs limit. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information 2000, the limit has been specified as £450 and represents the estimated cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.

If you could be more specific in relation to the areas, departments or types of contractors you require information on, we would endeavour to provide and more appropriate response.

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,

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Tabitha Gardner Chief Finance Officer

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111