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Date Received: 22nd August 2023

Response Due: 20th September 2023

Date: 19th September 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

I am requesting this information on behalf of Epilepsy Action, as we would like to understand the UK neurology workforce in order to better support the NHS to provide care to people with epilepsy.

These questions are applicable to any Trust that provides either neurology, maternity or learning disability care. Please answer all of the questions that are relevant to your trust, and mark those that are not relevant clearly as such with a reason (e.g. 'Not applicable as we do not provide maternity care').

Please could you provide the following (including both the number of individuals and FTE for each question, and job titles where asked):

			Response
1	The number of neurologists employed within your Trust, including:	-	Please see redirection below
1a	The total number of neurologists	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
1b	The number of which are adult neurologists	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
1c	The number of which are paediatric neurologists	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
1d	How many adult neurologists are epileptologists	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
1e	How many paediatric neurologists are	Number:	Please see redirection below

	epileptologists	FTE:	Please see redirection below
1f	If you do not employ neurologists, please provide details of who provides your neurology services	Name of provider:	Please see redirection below
2	The number of epilepsy specialist nurses (ESNs) employed within your Trust, including:	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
2a	The number of which are adult ESNs	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
2b	The number of which are paediatric ESNs	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
2c	How many adult ESNs have Learning Disability expertise	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
2d	How many paediatric ESNs have Learning Disability expertise	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
3	The number of learning disability nurses who have epilepsy expertise	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
4	The number of staff working within obstetrics who have epilepsy expertise, and their job titles	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
		Job titles:	Please see redirection below
4a	Within this number, how many midwives have epilepsy expertise	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
5	The number of staff working within neurology who have expertise in obstetrics, and their job titles	Number:	Please see redirection below
		FTE:	Please see redirection below
		Job titles:	Please see redirection below

The Trust do not hold the above information.

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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,



Rabina Tindale
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The Information Commissioner's Office
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