Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act Reference 2020.387 released 11 February 2020

Thank you for your email dated 15 January 2020, requesting information regarding consultant programmed activities (PAs).

Please find detailed below a summary of your request, together with our response.

Summary of your request:

Please send me:
1. Does your Trust have an electronic job planning system?

No

At your Trust:
2. How many permanent consultant staff (please provide both head count and WTE) were employed in:
a. November 2017 Headcount 20, WTE 17.5
b. November 2018 Headcount 19, WTE 14.7
c. November 2019 Headcount 16, WTE 14.6

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

Consultant PA's	Date
224	Nov-19
214	Nov-18
203	Nov-17

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

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

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

We do not hold the information requested for questions 4-6 and question 8 centrally, therefore in order to ascertain if we hold any relevant information for these questions we would have to manually review individual rosters for each of the years requested which would exceed the appropriate cost limit as set out in Section 12 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is therefore exempt.

I have detailed below the relevant excerpt:

> ***Section 12 - where the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit***
> *12. — (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.*

Unfortunately I cannot see a way for us to assist you to refine your request as this is not information that we record centrally or that can be easily extracted, therefore to see if we hold any relevant information it would involve a manual review of a large number of records.

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

None.

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
b. Emergency List PAs

Exempt under section 12, as detailed above.