

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2021.971
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Thank you for your email received 1 October 2021 requesting information regarding Community Dental Service.

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

Summary of your original request:

1. Did your organisation provide a community dental service*?

***By community dental service we mean a service that provides dental care in community settings to children and vulnerable adults, including elderly and housebound people, people with physical disabilities or mental illness.**

Yes, we did provide a community dental service. **Please continue to Question 2.**

No, we did not provide a community dental service. Please provide the name of the organisation that provides this service in your geographical area. You do not need to respond to the remainder of the questions in this FOIA request.

2. For each band please enter the relevant number corresponding to the column and row labels.

***By WTE we mean ‘whole time equivalent’. This is the total hours worked by all dentists divided by average hours worked by a full-time dentist. Please write ‘0’ if there are no staff at a specific band.**

Band	Currently (today) how many dentists are employed by your organisation under Salaried primary dental care terms and conditions:		Currently how many dentist positions are vacant:	Between 6 th April 2020 to 5 th April 2021 how many (headcount):		
	headcount	WTE*	headcount	posts became vacant	vacant posts were advertised	vacant posts were filled. Please do not include partially filled positions
Band A	15	11.40	3	0		
Band B	21	14.26	3	0		

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Band C Clinical	9	4.08	0	0		
Band C Managerial	4	1.16	0	0		
Band C Clinical Managerial:	9	3.52	0	0		
Other dentist:	3	1.42	0	0		

3. For each grade please enter the relevant number corresponding to the column and row labels.

**By WTE we mean 'whole time equivalent'. This is the total hours worked by all dentists divided by average hours worked by a full-time dentist. Please write '0' if there are no staff at a specific grade.*

Grade	Currently (today), how many dentists are employed on each of the given grades by your organisation on Hospital Medical and Dental Contracts and who perform:	
	headcount	WTE*
Dental Core Trainee (DCT/SHO):	2	2
Specialty Trainee (StR)		
Staff and Associate Specialist grades		
Consultant	1	0.80