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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding health visitor positions.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

**Q1 a) Please state the number of full time health visitor positions (full time equivalent) within your Trust at 26.11.18, or the nearest possible data collection day.**

**b) Please state the number of full time health visitor positions that are vacant and being covered by agency or temporary staff members (full time equivalent) within your Trust at 26.11.18, or the nearest possible data collection day.**

**c) Please state the number of full time health visitor positions that are vacant and not being covered by agency or temporary staff members (full time equivalent) within your Trust at 26.11.18, or the nearest possible data collection day.**

A1 None for points a, b and c. The CCG may hold this information and they can be contacted at the following emails:

North Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Group Email:

[foi.northstaffordshireccg@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.northstaffordshireccg@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk)

Stoke-on-Trent Clinical Commission Group Email:

[foi.StokeonTrentCCG@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.StokeonTrentCCG@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk)

**Q2 a) Please state the average caseload of all health visitors (including agency or temporary staff) within your Trust at 26.11.18, or the nearest possible data collection day.**

**b) If you have a distinction within your recording system between senior and junior health visitors, please provide the average caseload for each level of seniority, if you are able to do so within the cost limit.**

A2 Not applicable

**Q3 Please state the five highest caseloads for individual health visitors within your Trust at 26.11.18, or the nearest possible data collection day. If possible within the cost limit, please also provide the seniority of these health visitors**

A3 Not applicable

**Q4 Please state the number of visits by health visitors to**

- a) Children**
- b) Adults**

**That were delayed or cancelled in each of the last three financial years, and the current financial year to 21.11.18.**

A4 Not applicable

**Q5 Please state in days the five longest delays to health visitor visits to**

- a) Children**
- b) Adults**

**In each of the last three financial years, and the current financial year to 21.11.18.**

A5 Not applicable

**Q6 Please state the number of health visitors (full time equivalent) that were placed on long term sick leave, defined as completing a sick leave period of 28 calendar days or more, due to mental health issues in each of the last three financial years, and the current financial year to 26.11.18.**

**Please ascribe each period of leave to the year it began, if a period crossed between two years**

A6 Not applicable

**Q7 Please state the number of patients that died while under health visitor care in each of the last three financial years, and the current financial year to 26.11.18.**

A7 Not applicable

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



Leah Carlisle  
**Deputy Head of Quality, Safety & Compliance**