

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-510**

28 July 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do not hold the information you are requesting

**I am currently researching the staffing levels for certain specialities across NHS trusts. I am focused on understanding the split between the number of procedures performed by employed doctors and those performed by outsourced doctors. To clarify:  
Employed doctors – Doctors who have ongoing employment in the NHS**

**Outsourced doctors – Doctors from agencies or ones who are contracting**

**If you could please provide the number of procedures performed by each type of doctor per year from 2017-18 up to 2022-23 split by the following specialities, that would be much appreciated:**

- 1.) Gastroenterology – All medical Gastroenterologists**
- 2.) Gynaecology – Please split out Obstetrics from this**
- 3.) Urology – A split of only the urology surgeons**
- 4.) Dermatology – All medical dermatologists**
- 5.) Cardiology – All cardiologists and excluding cardiothoracic surgeons**
- 6.) Endocrinology – All Endocrinologists**
- 7.) ENT – A split of only all ENT surgeons**

**I have attached an Excel for you to fill out the relevant data by speciality and split between employed vs outsourced doctors**

We do not hold this information. Our systems do not record procedures undertaken between employed vs outsourced doctors.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer  
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust  
Trust Headquarters  
Marlborough Street  
Bristol  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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