

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 25-615**

13 August 2025

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 hold the information you are requesting

**I would like information about the new young people's Gender Clinic at UHBW.**

**1. How many staff have been appointed to carry out psychological assessments, and what are their job titles?**

25 staff, 19.31 WTE. A range of Clinical Psychologists, Principal Clinical Psychologists, (Senior) Social Workers, Safeguarding Practitioners, Specialist Clinical Psychologists, Practitioner Psychologists, Consultant Paediatricians, Consultant Psychiatrists, and Consultant Clinical Psychologists, Family Therapists.

**2. According to the job description/person spec. what are the essential requirements for counselling and psychotherapy staff applying for jobs where they will be providing psychological input?**

We have no counsellors or psychotherapists in the service.

The professional training essential requirements of the posts above include Doctoral training as a Practitioner Psychologist.

A senior nurse essential requirement would be a nursing degree or equivalent plus a post graduate training in a psychological therapy.

**3. Of the counsellors, psychologists and psychotherapists employed so far, please provide a breakdown (how many in each organisation) of their accrediting bodies/ membership organisations e.g. BACP, UKCP, BPS, NCPS etc**

As above, there are no counsellors or psychotherapists within our service. Practitioner Psychologists (clinical, counselling neuropsychologist) are accredited by HCPC.

**4. What training have these specific staff receiving to teach them how to work within the recommendations of the Cass Review?**

AOMRC Induction Training

**5. What safeguards are in place to ensure they are providing thorough assessment and psychological therapies that help young people explore their gender identity in a holistic context?**

Clinical activity is subject to UHBW clinical governance structures. We adhere to the Holistic Assessment Framework to complete thorough assessments.

**6. when will data become available about service usage and patient outcomes for the current patient cohort?**

The Pathways Horizon study will provide this as will any other studies undertaken by the National Provider Network. NHSE compiles data on service usage.

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  
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely

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