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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to health visitors.

You asked:

1) 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.

2)

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.

3) 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.

4) 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.

5) 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.

If possible within the cost limit set out under the FOI act, please also provide a response to the below questions. If you can only provide an answer to the above questions within cost, please disregard this section.

6) 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.

7) 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.

Trust response:

We do not employ Health Visitors.