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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 Perioperative practitioner groups.

You asked:

Question 1

Split by role type, how many perioperative practitioners are employed in surgery within your Trust/Health Board? (include trainees). Please provide both FTE and Head Count figures.

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Question 2

Split by role-type, how many of the perioperative practitioners employed in surgery within your Trust/Health Board are trainees? Please provide both FTE and Head Count figures.

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Question 3

Split by role type, which statutory regulators are the perioperative practitioners employed in surgery by your Trust/Health Board registered with? (please provide Head Count numbers)

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

*Surgical First Assistants
Physician Associates (in surgery)
Others*

Question 4

The number of perioperative practitioners employed in surgery by your Trust/Health Board by role type and pay band (as per the NHS AfC pay scales, 1 April 2020)? (please provide Head Count numbers)

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Question 5

Please provide FTE and Head Count figures for perioperative practitioners employed in surgery by your Trust/Health Board, split by surgical specialty.

Cardiothoracic surgery

General surgery

Neurosurgery

Oral and maxillofacial surgery

Trauma and orthopaedic

Otolaryngology

Paediatric surgery

Plastic surgery

Urology surgery

Vascular surgery

None

Question 6

The number of perioperative practitioners employed in surgery within your Trust/Health Board split by role type and gender? (please provide Head Count numbers)

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Question 7

The number of perioperative practitioners employed in surgery within your Trust/Health Board split by role type and age band? (please provide Head Count numbers)

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Question 8

What was the total annual CPD budget for your Trust/Health Board in 2018 and 2019?

Question 9

How much of this total CPD budget was allocated specifically to perioperative practitioners in surgery within your Trust/Health Board in 2018 and 2019?

Question 10

What was the actual expenditure on CPD for perioperative practitioners in surgery within your Trust/Health Board in 2018 and in 2019?

Question 11

In your Trust/Health Board, do the job descriptions for perioperative practitioners in surgery specify a CPD requirement for these roles?

Question 12

What are the current arrangements for annual appraisal for perioperative practitioners within your NHS Trust?

Question 13

What are the clinical supervision arrangements for perioperative practitioners in surgery within your Trust/Health Board? Please specify whether clinical supervisors are from a medical or nursing background.

Question 14

How many surgical procedures (within the operating theatre) were carried out within your Trust/Health Board during 2019?

Question 15

Provide the total number of these surgical procedures (within the operating theatre) which were performed or assisted by perioperative practitioners during 2019.

Question 16

In regard to question 15 above provide a breakdown of the number of procedures where each role type was required.

Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners

Surgical Care Practitioners

Surgical First Assistants

Physician Associates (in surgery)

Others

Trust response:

The Trust is not able to supply details relating to funding and hours/ number of surgeries at present due to these being new roles and therefore not applicable in 2018/2019.

Due to the very small number of staff this relates to and in order to protect their confidentiality the Trust has therefore decided that further detailed information will be refused using the limitations available under Section 10 and Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 1998 as this may provide sufficient information to allow for the staff member to be identified.

Question 1		Insert FTE	Insert Head Count
	Surgical Care Practitioners	<5	<5
	Physician Associates (in surgery)	<5	<5

Question 2		Insert FTE	Insert Head Count	
	Surgical Care Practitioners	<5	<5	
Question 3		HCPC	NMC	None or N/A
	Surgical Care Practitioners	<5	<5	
	Surgical First Assistants			
	Physician Associates (in surgery)			<5
Question 4		Band 7		
	Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners			
	Surgical Care Practitioners	<5		
	Surgical First Assistants			
	Physician Associates (in surgery)			
	Others	<5		
Question 5		Insert FTE	Insert Headcount	
	General surgery		<5	
	Trauma and orthopaedic		<5	
Question 6		Female	Male	
	Surgical Care Practitioners		<5	
	Physician Associates (in surgery)	<5		
Question 7		21 - 30 yrs	31 - 40 yrs	41 - 50 yrs
	Surgical Care Practitioners		<5	<5
	Physician Associates (in surgery)	<5		
Question 8	Amount in 2018 (£)	Amount in 2019 (£)		
Question 9	Amount in 2018 (£)	Amount in 2019 (£)		
Question 10	Amount in 2018 (£)	Amount in 2019 (£)		
Question 11	Yes (if yes, please specify number of CPD hours or credits)	No		
		X		
Question 12	Please comment briefly below. A maximum of 150 words.			
	Standard appraisal arrangements - appraisal undertaken by ops and clinician			

Question 13	Please comment briefly below. A maximum of 150 words.	
	Each have a clinical supervisor (consultant) and nursing lead (matron)	
Question 14	Total Number	
	28780	
Question 15	Total Number	
Question 16		Number of operations where required
	Advanced Clinical Practitioners/Clinical Nurse Practitioners	
	Surgical Care Practitioners	
	Surgical First Assistants	
	Physician Associates (in surgery)	
	Others	