



**Maidstone and
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NHS Trust

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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 Staffing in Chemotherapy Units.

You asked:

Please note the questionnaire refers only to day patient chemotherapy units treating ADULTS with cancer. Please exclude answers for any units only treating children or non-cancer conditions.

1) Does your trust host one or more day patient chemotherapy unit (s)?

Yes / No (delete as appropriate)

If No, please return the questionnaire at this stage – no further questions need to be answered.

If Yes, how many day patient chemotherapy units does your trust host, and on how many sites?

i) Number of day patient chemotherapy units = (insert here)

ii) Number of different hospital sites within the trust that provide day patient chemotherapy = (insert here)

For each separate chemotherapy unit (service), please answer the following questions about the CURRENT situation at your Trust (please copy the template in order to respond for each unit separately):

2. For each chemotherapy unit please indicate the following:

a) Is it a static or mobile unit? (delete as appropriate) Mobile / Static

b) How many treatment chairs are there in the unit? (insert number)

c) What are the opening hours of the unit for patients (insert NA if not applicable)?

d) How many registered nurses are rostered to be on duty each day? (insert target number of staff per shift- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)

e) How many Clinical Support Workers are rostered to be on duty each day? (insert target number of staff- fill in as appropriate for unit's shift pattern)

f) How many patients have received SACT (chemotherapy and biological therapy) in the 12 month period to 31st August 2021?
3. For each chemotherapy unit, how many Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) members of staff are currently employed SPECIFICALLY in the chemotherapy unit in the following roles (please exclude any vacant positions from the number of WTE but include the number in vacancies column)?

Trust response:

Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the trust website [WWW.MTW.NHS.UK](http://www.mtw.nhs.uk) Please enter Staffing in Chemotherapy Units. into the search box and the response will be shown. Alternatively, please use the following link: <http://www.mtw.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Staffing-in-Chemotherapy-Units.-121021.pdf>