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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 Play teams.

You asked:

I would like to know for each hospital in your Trust, including the following departments:

- *Accident and Emergency*
- *Outpatient*
- *Diagnostic*
- *Phlebotomy*
- *Day case*
- *Surgical Units*
- *Inpatient Units*
- *Neonatal Units*

Between 1st April 2021 and 31st March 2022, for each hospital:

- 1. The name of the hospital and their wards/departments that provide services to 0–17-year-olds*
- 2. The number of admissions for 0–17-year-olds*
- 3. A breakdown of the ethnicity, gender, and deprivation percentiles of 0–17-year-olds admitted*
- 4. The number of 0–17-year-olds treated on an adult ward/bed and reason (e.g., patient choice, bed shortages etc.)*

I would also like to know for each hospital:

- 5. Which Directorate(s) does the Play Team(s) sit in?*
- 6. The number of the following roles, salary band, and approximately how many hours do they work per week?*
- 7. Does the Play Team lead(s)/manager(s), if you have them, hold a Foundation Degree in Healthcare Play Specialism?*
- 8. If any, how many of your health play specialists are registered with the Healthcare Play Specialist Education Trust (HPSET)?*

9. How many hours do your play team typically work during one shift?
10. Which shifts do the Play Team typically work? (Select all that are applicable)
11. Do you have any of the following in each of the specified hospitals? If yes, please specify where these provisions are located (e.g., department/ward name):
- a. Playful 'non-play team' staff (staff create opportunities for children to play but are not health play specialists nor play workers)
12. Is there an annual budget for the delivery of play (e.g., toys, staffing, etc.) in your hospital(s)? If yes, for each individual hospital:
- a. What is the overall annual budget?
- b. How much of the budget is for staffing?
- c. How much of the budget is spent on resources and materials for play (e.g., toys)?
13. Is there a budget available for training and development that play staff can access?
- a. If yes, how much is this?
14. Do you have a guidance/policy on how Play should be delivered? If yes, please can you attach a copy of this or a link where it can be accessed

Trust response:

1. 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 using the following link/s: [A to Z of Wards - Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust \(mtw.nhs.uk\)](https://www.mtw.nhs.uk)

Q2		Overall Attendances
	Hospital Name	Number of attendances for 0-17-year olds
Hospital 1	Maidstone Hospital	50309
Hospital 2	Tunbridge Wells Hospital	76307

Q3		Number of attendances of 0-17-year olds by Gender		
	Hospital Name	Female	Male	Other
Hospital 1	Maidstone Hospital	23347	26956	6
Hospital 2	Tunbridge Wells Hospital	35390	40908	9

Number of attendances of 0-17-year olds by Deprivation Percentiles

Q3	Hospital 1	Hospital 2
Most deprived 10%	2355	882
More deprived 10-20%	3575	2624

More deprived 20-30%	3202	2188
More deprived 30-40%	4640	5532
More deprived 40-50%	4762	6407
Less deprived 50-60%	7540	10805
Less deprived 60-70%	5926	12342
Less deprived 70-80%	3822	8663
Less deprived 80-90%	4006	10272
Least deprived 10%	5851	13646
Unknown	4630	2946

Number of attendances of 0-17-year olds by Ethnicity

Q3	Hospital 1	Hospital 2
British (White)	30487	54720
Irish (White)	77	189
Any other White background	6881	8362
White and Black Caribbean (Mixed)	224	391
White and Black African (Mixed)	262	326
White and Asian (Mixed)	386	776
Any other Mixed background	1287	1783
Indian (Asian or Asian British)	411	648
Pakistani (Asian or Asian British)	107	147
Bangladeshi (Asian or Asian British)	177	318
Any other Asian background	775	826
Caribbean (Black or Black British)	42	139
African (Black or Black British)	260	287
Any other Black background	496	323
Chinese (other ethnic group)	72	176
Traveller		
Arab		
Any other ethnic group	548	783
Unknown	7817	6113

Q4		Admissions to adult wards/beds	
	Hospital Name	Number of 0-17-year-old treated on an adult ward/bed	Reasons for admission to adult/ward bed E.g., patient choice, bed shortages)

Hospital 1	Maidstone Hospital	380	XX please see below
Hospital 2	Tunbridge Wells Hospital	830	XX please see below

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Women's and Children's - Paediatrics					
Accident and Emergency - Paediatrics					
6					
Job Title	Total Number of Staff	Salary Band	Full Time (32-40 hours)	Part Time (18-31 hours)	Zero Hours Contract
Play Team - Health Play Specialist (HPS)	2	Band 4		2	
Play Team - Senior HPS	2	Band 4		2	
Play Team- Bank Staff	1	Band 4			1
Other Play Staff (please specify)	4	Band 3 Play apprentice	4		
7	Yes-some				
8		4			
9		8			
10					
Day shifts	yes				
Weekends	seldom				
11	Yes				
a.					
on riverbank, woodlands, outpatient areas and hedgehog unit plus A&E					Yes- not age specific
b.					
on riverbank, woodlands, outpatient areas and hedgehog unit plus A&E					Yes- age Specific
c.					
on riverbank, woodlands, outpatient areas and hedgehog unit plus A&E					Yes
d.					
on riverbank, woodlands, outpatient areas and hedgehog unit plus A&E					Yes
f.					
on riverbank, woodlands, outpatient areas and hedgehog unit plus A&E					
12	Yes				
a.		210860			
b.		210860			
c.	Not separable from wider budget				
13	Yes				
Not separable from wider budget					
14	yes				
Attached					

XX - It may be possible that this information has been entered into a patients record but in order to confirm this each patient record would need to be manually checked by a clinical staff member. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.