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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 Neurology Workforce.

You asked:

The outstanding questions for this request are as follows:

- 1 The number of neurologists employed within your Trust, including:*
 - 1c The number of which are paediatric neurologists*
 - 1e How many paediatric neurologists are epileptologists*
- 2 The number of epilepsy specialist nurses (ESNs) employed within your Trust, including:*
 - 2b The number of which are paediatric ESNs*
 - 2d How many paediatric ESNs have Learning Disability expertise*

Trust response:

These questions are highlighted in the following table.

| | | | Response |
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| 1 | The number of neurologists employed within your Trust, including: | - | - |
| 1a | The total number of neurologists | Number: | 9 (Adult) |
| | | FTE: | 7 FTE (Adult) |
| 1b | The number of which are adult neurologists | Number: | 9 |
| | | FTE: | 7 FTE |
| 1c | The number of which are paediatric neurologists | Number: | No paediatric neurologists employed by the Trust |
| | | FTE: | |
| 1d | How many adult neurologists are epileptologists | Number: | 0 |
| | | FTE: | 0 |

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| 1e | How many paediatric neurologists are epileptologists | Number: | Not applicable |
| | | FTE: | |
| 1f | If you do not employ neurologists, please provide details of who provides your neurology services | Name of provider: | Not applicable |
| 2 | The number of epilepsy specialist nurses (ESNs) employed within your Trust, including: | Number: | 1.6 ESN employed by the Trust |
| | | FTE: | |
| 2a | The number of which are adult ESNs | Number: | 0 |
| | | FTE: | 0 |
| 2b | The number of which are paediatric ESNs | Number: | 1.6 ESN employed by the Trust |
| | | FTE: | |
| 2c | How many adult ESNs have Learning Disability expertise | Number: | Not applicable |
| | | FTE: | Not applicable |
| 2d | How many paediatric ESNs have Learning Disability expertise | Number: | Nil. |
| | | FTE: | |
| 3 | The number of learning disability nurses who have epilepsy expertise | Number: | 3 |
| | | FTE: | 3 |
| 4 | The number of staff working within obstetrics who have epilepsy expertise, and their job titles | Number: | 3 |
| | | FTE: | 3 |
| | | Job titles: | Deputy chief of service for Women's and Children's, Consultant Obstetrician. Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, risk lead and joint lead for the Kent and Medway LMNS maternal medicine network. Consultant Obstetrician, labour ward lead and joint lead for Kent and Medway LMNS maternal medicine network. |
| 4a | Within this number, how many midwives have epilepsy expertise | Number: | None |
| | | FTE: | Not applicable |
| 5 | The number of staff working within neurology who have expertise in obstetrics, and their job titles | Number: | 1 |
| | | FTE: | 7/10PAS so part time |
| | | Job titles: | Consultant |