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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 Histopathology services and outsourcing.

*You asked: Questions have been renumbered as there were two question 3. For the period April 1st to December 31st 2023, please provide the following information:*

- 1. How many whole time equivalent histopathology consultants (as defined by being on the GMC specialist register for pathology) were employed by the authority at 31/12/2023.*
- 2. How many histology cases were reported in the following period, overall and by the following sub-specialties*
  - a. dermatology*
  - b. gastro-intestinal*
  - c. urology*
  - d. gynaecology*
  - e. breast*
  - f. thoracic*
  - g. head and neck*
  - h. other*
  - i. total cases reported*
- 3. How many of the total cases given above were reported by*
  - a. consultants (or other medical staff) employed by the authority during their contract Programmed Activities or PAs.*
  - b. consultants employed by the authority, being paid additional amounts over and above their salary for additional work.*
  - c. locum consultants working for the authority*
  - d. external reporting companies.*
- 4. Please provide a total number of cases and the number reported by each of the following:*

- i. Unilabs
  - ii. HCA Laboratories including their subsidiary Backlogs
  - iii. Source LD Path (previously Source Bioscience, and LD Path limited)
  - iv. Cellular Pathology Services Limited
  - v. Diagnexia
  - vi. Digital Pathology Partners
  - vii. Cyted (including their subsidiary Pathognomics)
  - viii. Poundbury Cancer Institute
  - ix. Medica
  - x. external reporting companies total
5. How much did the authority spend on each of the following during the period
- a. consultants (or other medical staff) employed by the authority during their contract Programmed Activities or PAs. (salary plus NI plus pension contribution)
  - b. consultants employed by the authority, being paid additional amounts over and above their salary for additional work.
  - c. locum consultants working for the authority
  - d. external reporting companies.
6. Please provide a total spend and the spend with each of the following:
- i. Unilabs
  - ii. HCA Laboratories including their subsidiary Backlogs
  - iii. Source LD Path (previously Source Bioscience, and LD Path limited)
  - iv. Cellular Pathology Services Limited
  - v. Diagnexia
  - vi. Digital Pathology Partners
  - vii. Cyted (including their subsidiary Pathognomics)
  - viii. Poundbury Cancer Institute
  - ix. Medica
  - x. external reporting companies total

Trust response:

Please see the following table:

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Excludes 2 WTE Cons BMS

2	April 1st to December 31st 2023
a.	Not applicable
b.	17,068
c.	4,248
d.	10,802
e.	4,524
f.	1,202
g.	836
h.	2,404
i.	60,233

3	April 1st to December 31st 2023
a.	41,320

b.	8840
c.	4854
d.	5219
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i.	0
ii.	0
iii.	0
iv.	0
v.	0
vi.	0
vii.	0
viii.	0
ix.	0
x.	5219

5	April 1st to December 31st 2023
a.	Section 40(2) applied
b.	Section 40(2) applied
c.	XX
d.	Section 43 applied
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i.	Not applicable
ii.	Not applicable
iii.	Not applicable
iv.	Not applicable
v.	Not applicable
vi.	Not applicable
vii.	Not applicable
viii.	Not applicable
ix.	Not applicable
x.	Section 43 applied

XX: 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: <https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/recent-foi-responses/> the link should take you to the Data to Support FOI FAQ's page where you need to click on the Finance dropdown.

Alternatively, from our website home page, click the Freedom of Information Tab, then the Data to Support FOI FAQ's tab and then the Finance dropdown at the bottom of the page where you will find all the information. If the document does not open please copy and paste the link into your browser. Please note the spreadsheet takes some time to download. This information is updated on a regular basis and is exempt under Section 22 of the Act.