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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 a list of Consultants.

*You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.
I'm writing to enquire about the possibility of obtaining a current list of consultants working within your Hospitals. I'm particularly interested in specialists in the following areas:*

- *Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgeons*
- *General Surgeons*
- *Urologists*
- *Gynaecologists*
- *Anaesthetists*

Ideally, the list would include the following details for each consultant:

- *Full Name of the Consultant*
- *Hospital/Department where they practice*

I have searched your website for this information but was unable to locate a comprehensive and up-to-date list.

If such a list is not publicly available, I would be grateful if you could advise on the most efficient way to obtain this information. Alternatively, if you have a regularly updated online directory of consultants, please provide the link for my reference.

Trust response:

Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust receives a number of requests for details relating to the professional lives of our staff from private individuals and organisations, some of whom are involved in recruitment and marketing. On very rare occasions it might be considered in the public interest to disclose

some information but in such cases the views of the individual staff concerned is always sought.

Information relating to staff that is not currently publicly available on our website will not be released under Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 40(2) (personal information) as it relates to the personal information of employees. The Trust follows guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office on the disclosure of personal data including direct contact details. Details of the Consultants whose information appears on our website can be found using the following link:

<https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/a-to-z-of-consultants/>

Alternatively, if you enter consultants at MTW into your chosen search engine the link will be shown.