

Ref: CCG May 004 2016,

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16th May 2016,

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 6th May 2016, with regards to CAMHS services.

Request/**Response**

For your CAMHS services I would like the following information. Please could I have this information for any tiers of CAMHS service you provide, broken down where possible by tier.

1. The vacancy rate (as a number and as a percentage of FTE posts) for each of the last five financial years for the following roles:

a. Consultant psychiatrists

(Including and where possible broken down into: consultants, specialty doctors, staff doctors, associate specialist)

b. Trainee psychiatrists

(including and where possible broken down by core trainees, higher trainees)

c. Psychologists

(including and where possible broken down by Assistant psychologists, trainee psychologists, qualified psychologists)

d. Nurses

e. Social workers

- f. Psychotherapists
- g. Other therapists (including OTs, Physiotherapists etc)
- h. Youth workers
- i. Other

2. Your total expenditure in each of the last five financial years on temporary staffing through agencies or locums

3. When you last advertised for the following roles, how many applicants did you receive per post?

- a. Consultant psychiatrists
- b. Trainee psychiatrists
- c. Psychologists
- d. Nurses
- e. Social workers
- f. Psychotherapists
- g. Other therapists (including OTs, Physiotherapists etc)
- h. Youth workers
- i. Other

In addition please could you answer the following questions?

1. Have you experienced difficulties in recruiting staff over the last year? Which roles were particularly difficult to recruit for?
2. Have you had to advertise for posts more than once? Which posts did this relate to?
3. Have you been unable to recruit staff necessary to reduce waiting times in your service but do not have the budget to do so?
4. Do you have any further comments on staff recruitment issues?

Response

Unfortunately Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group cannot provide you with an answer to your response as we do not hold this information. We suggest you direct your request to Alder Hey:

Alder Hey Children's Hospital
info.gov@alderhey.nhs.uk

We wish to take this opportunity to inform you that a formal complaints and internal review procedure is available to applicants who are unhappy with responses provided to FOI requests. You can formally request an internal review within a reasonable period of time (2 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you are not satisfied with the decision of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a further review of that decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure in the first instance.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

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