

## Freedom of Information Request

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**\*Note to Applicant:** As of 1 April 2017, North Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (NEP) and South Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (SEPT) merged to form one new organisation known as Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT).

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I would be grateful if you could answer the following questions which are related to a research project on the NHS and FDI.

1. Do you receive private patients from outside the UK? What percentage of total patients does this cover? From which region(s) of the world?
2. Does your trust engage in foreign direct investment abroad (practitioners/the trust engaging in overseas ventures, joint ventures, setting up subsidiaries of the NHS abroad...). If so roughly what percentage of your total time/work force is engaged in this activity? In which regions of the world?
3. If you answered yes to questions 1 or 2, in which area(s) of health care do you provide private services?
4. If you answered yes to questions 1 or 2, have you seen a decline or increase in private activity over the last 5 years? Do you expect to increase private provision of health care in the future?
5. What measures are taken to ensure that core NHS health services free at the point of use are protected despite these private activities?

**The Trust does not receive private patients from outside the UK nor engage in foreign direct investment abroad. Therefore the Trust cannot answer your request.**