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Information Requested:

1. How many specialist urology/continence nurses were there within your Trust in each of the last five financial years?

   Response for South East Essex Community:
   - 2013-2014 – 6
   - 2014-2015 – 7
   - 2015-2016 – 5
   - 2016-2017 – 6
   - 2017-2018 – 6

2. How many hours of staff training were allocated in the last financial year, under the remit of continence care, to catheterisation?
   Approximately 40hrs

3. Do you have a named continence lead within your Trust? If so, what is their name?
   Sarah Browne – Deputy Director of Nursing

4. Are catheter passports used within your Trust?
   a. If no, can you provide a reason as to why?
      Catheter passports are not used within South East Essex Community – no instructions to use from the Trust.
   b. If yes, has the number of passports given to patients increased over the last 5 years?
      N/A

5. If a catheter passport is used within your Trust does it contain a urine colour chart?
   N/A

6. Do you have a urine colour chart on every toilet door within each hospital?
   No

7. Do you test patients presenting with urinary bladder complications with a bladder ultrasound scanner?
   Yes
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Response for West Essex:

1. How many specialist urology/continence nurses were there within your Trust in each of the last five financial years?
   1.7 wte since 2012

2. How many hours of staff training were allocated in the last financial year, under the remit of continence care, to catheterisation?
   Due to resource we are unable to offer training. The Education Dept. manages catheter education for community nurses.

3. Do you have a named continence lead within your Trust? If so, what is their name?
   Sarah Browne – Deputy Director of Nursing

4. Are catheter passports used within your Trust?
   Yes
   a. If no, can you provide a reason as to why?
      N/A
   b. If yes, has the number of passports given to patients increased over the last 5 years?
      Unable to answer as down to each community team to manage

5. If a catheter passport is used within your Trust does it contain a urine colour chart?
   Please see response to Q4b

6. It does not contain a urine colour chart, but the GULP assessment does which is used by the trust for all patients who have possible poor fluid intake.
   Please see response to Q4b

7. Do you have a urine colour chart on every toilet door within each hospital?
   Not hospital based
8. Do you test patients presenting with urinary bladder complications with a bladder ultrasound scanner?
   Yes as necessary, bladder scans are also available on the inpatient rehab wards