

## Freedom of Information Request

Reference Number: EPUT.FOI.21.1974  
Date Received: Legal Team

### Information Requested:

1. The number of Full time (FT) and Part Time (PT) employees in your Trust in:

- a. March 2020 (Total number; split into Medical and Support staff)

Non Clinical	Clinical
1,532	3,557

- b. March 2021 (Total number; split into Medical and Support staff)

Non Clinical	Clinical
1,604	3,767

2. The number of Trust employees absent from work during the months March 2020 to March 2021 inclusive, in the following format. If the data is held weekly, then please average the numbers across the month or provide the weekly data if easier.

Month	Total number absent (Excluding Annual Leave)	Absent due to Covid-19
March 2020	1476	507
April 2020	1315	682
May 2020	1008	297
June 2020	948	159
July 2020	960	134
August 2020	921	105
September 2020	1075	154
October 2020	1085	138
November 2020	1129	211
December 2020	1385	506
January 2021	1615	694
February 2021	1242	281
March 2021	1125	165

Please note: The figures detail the total number of staff absent during the entire month

3. The number of Trust employees absent from work due to a Test and Trace requirement to isolate. As above, if the data is held weekly then please average the numbers across the month or provide the weekly data if easier.

Month	Average No.of staff Isolating due to Test and Trace
March 2020	This data not collected at this time
April 2020	This data not collected at this time
May 2020	This data not collected at this time
June 2020	2
July 2020	2
August 2020	1
September 2020	0
October 2020	3
November 2020	3
December 2020	10
January 2021	12
February 2021	1
March 2021	0

4. The total number of beds across the Hospital(s) in your Trust  
Total beds (Mental Health and Community beds) as at 31/03/2021 = 790
5. The total number of beds unused due to Covid-19 infection control measures (commonly referred to as 'red'/'green' pathways). Please provide these figures month by month from March 2020 to March 2021.  
The Trust is unable to provide this information as it would require a manual examination of the state of each bed, each day during the reporting period to be able to accurately determine how many beds were unused due to Covid-19 control measures. The Trust is therefore applying Section 12 of the Act (where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit)
6. The number of retired staff returning to the Trust from March 2021 onwards to practice during Covid-19  
18 returners

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**Applied Exemption:**

**Section 12 (Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit):**

- (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not exempt the public authority from its obligation to comply with paragraph (a) of section 1(1) unless the estimated cost of complying with that paragraph alone would exceed the appropriate limit.
- (3) In subsections (1) and (2) "the appropriate limit" means such amount as may be prescribed, and different amounts may be prescribed in relation to different cases.

- (4) The Secretary of State may by regulations provide that, in such circumstances as may be prescribed, where two or more requests for information are made to a public authority—
    - (a) by one person, or
    - (b) by different persons who appear to the public authority to be acting in concert or in pursuance of a campaign, the estimated cost of complying with any of the requests is to be taken to be the estimated total cost of complying with all of them
  - (5) The Secretary of State may by regulations make provision for the purposes of this section as to the costs to be estimated and as to the manner in which they are to be estimated
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