

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. Are you:
 - a. an acute Trust [No](#)
 - b. a specialist centre / Trust [No](#)
 - c. a community Trust [Yes](#)
 - d. a mental health Trust [Yes](#)
 - e. other, please specify: [No](#)

2. In total how many beds do you have in your hospital(s)? [EPUT has a total of 787 beds as at 12/05/2022.](#)

3. How many staff by whole-time equivalent and headcount do you have in your hospitals
Headcount: [5987 \(excluding bank and mass vaccination service\)](#)
WTE: [5099.14 \(excluding bank and mass vaccination service\)](#)

4. The number of whole-time equivalent and headcount of substantive Chaplaincy Team members by faith/belief demographic:

Faith or Belief -	Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) -	Head Count
Anglican	0.5	
Baptist	1.4	
Buddhist	No	
Christian (other than listed)	No	
Eastern Orthodox	No	
Hindu	No	
Humanist	No	
Islam / Muslim	0.5	
Jewish	No	
Methodist	No	
Pentecostal/Charismatic	No	
Presbyterian	No	
Quaker	No	
Roman Catholic	No	
Salvation Army	No	
Sikh	No	
United Reformed Church		
Other (please specify):	The Trust receives part time SLA provision from (ELFT) East London Foundation Trust – for our wards in Bedfordshire and part time SLA provision for our wards in Chelmsford from Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust. These teams have Christian, Buddhist and Islamic members of staff.	

5. The number of bank / temporary / zero hours contract Chaplaincy staff by faith/belief demographic: [None](#)
 Faith or Belief - Head Count [No](#)

Anglican No
Baptist No
Buddhist No
Christian (other than listed) No
Eastern Orthodox No
Hindu No
Humanist No
Islam / Muslim No
Jewish No
Methodist No
Pentecostal/Charismatic No
Presbyterian No
Quaker No
Roman Catholic No
Salvation Army No
Sikh No
United Reformed Church No
Other (please specify): No
Unkwn No

6. The number of honorary Chaplaincy Team members by faith/belief demographic:

Faith or Belief - Head Count

Anglican 3
Baptist 3
Buddhist No
Christian (other than listed) No
Eastern Orthodox No
Hindu No
Humanist 1
Islam / Muslim No
Jewish No
Methodist No
Pentecostal/Charismatic 1
Presbyterian No
Quaker No
Roman Catholic 2
Salvation Army No
Sikh No
United Reformed Church No
Other (please specify): No
Unkwn No

7. Does the Trust have Trainee Chaplain / Entry Level Chaplain (Band 5) roles? No

8. If so, how many of the Chaplaincy Team are at this level (whole-time equivalent, headcount and religion/belief)? No

9. If so, are the positions permanent or fixed term? No

10. What is the rationale for Trainee / Entry Level chaplains within your Trust? No

11. Over the last 3 years has the Chaplaincy Team:

- a. increased in size **No**
- b. remained the same in size **yes**
- c. decreased in size **No**

12. What steps or initiatives has the Chaplaincy Team taken to increase the diversity of service provision within your Trust? **Drawing in honorary provision from wider faith and belief groups such as Judaism and humanism . Engaging in a Trust wide chaplaincy volunteer recruitment program seeking a diversity of provision from across the area served by the Trust.**

13. What spaces do you have for prayer, meditation or worship within your Trust, the number of each type of space and what activities regularly take place in each space? **The Trust hospital and units have varied provisions for prayer/ meditation/ worship spaces. Some have designated prayer rooms or multi-faith spaces, some sites make provision through multiple use spaces. Due to Covid regulations , provision and variety has been drastically curtailed but increased site provision is now starting to recommence. Historically space is provided for Islamic prayer / Christian prayer gatherings as well as general quiet spaces. Communion and other specific faith needs are sought to be facilitated via the chaplaincy team.**

Chapel . **Yes**

Multifaith space **yes**

Single faith prayer space

Designated Muslim prayer space

Quiet room / reflection space **Yes**

Meeting room space **yes as required**

Counselling room space **No**

Other (please specify): **No**

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