

Dear

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request concerning Pathology Questions.

The Trust can provide the following information:

**Please see attachment**

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Yours sincerely

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## Freedom of Information request

<p>How many acute hospital sites are within your Trust organisation? Do all these acute sites have a full 24/7 A&amp;E department?</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Which of these Trust sites have on-site pathology laboratory provision?</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>What pathology disciplines are provided on each of these Trust sites? Please state Blood transfusion as a separate discipline</p>	<p>Biochemistry, Haematology, Blood Transfusion, Microbiology</p>
<p>What pathology disciplines are centralised within your organisation?</p>	<p>Sample Reception</p>
<p>What is the annual activity (measured in tests) per discipline for each of the Trust sites with pathology provision?</p>	<p>Biochemistry 1300000, Haematology 480000, Blood Transfusion 35000, Microbiology 590000</p>
<p>What are the staffing levels and skill mix by band for each pathology discipline per Trust site with pathology provision?</p>	<p>Biochemistry 20 staff, 2 * 8a, 7 * 7, 2 * 6, 5 * 5, 4 * 2  Haematology/Transfusion 22 staff 1 * 8a, 6 * 7, 5 * 6, 4 * 5, 2 * 3, 2 * 2  Microbiology 19 staff 2 * 8a, 4 * 7, 6 * 6, 1 * 5, 1 * 4, 1 * 3, 4 * 2</p>
<p>How many staff and at what AfC bands are trained for cross disciplinary work?</p>	<p>none</p>
<p>What specialist pathology services are carried out within your organisation? E.g. Molecular sciences, haemophilia, haemato-oncology etc.</p>	<p>Molecular, Virology Screening, Haemoglobinopathies, specialist referral chemistry, drug screening.</p>

What transport system does your Trust pathology service use? Is it an internal system or does it use an external provider?	External
Is the transport system used pathology specific or a shared facility?	shared
How many pick-ups per working day do you offer GP's?	2-3
What frequency, if any do pick-up from GP's at weekends?	none
What are your charges for Biochemistry, Haematology, Microbiology, Cytology, Histology and immunology?	Test dependant, too many to list
Is your Trust pathology service involved in a consolidation project with other Trust or private sector pathology services? If so please indicate the other organisations involved.	no