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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Allied
Health Professions Leadership

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

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| FOI Request / Question | Question Response | Is there an exemption? | Exemption | Exemption Details |
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| 1. What is the job title of the strategic lead/ most senior Allied Health Professional (AHP) in your Trust? • Chief AHP • Director of AHPs • Other (please specify) | Associate Chief AHP | | | |
| 2. Is there someone employed in this post currently? • Yes • No If not, why not? | Yes | | | |
| 3. How many hours a week are dedicated specifically to this role? • Full time (1.0wte) • Part time (please specify wte hours) • Job share (please specify) | 0.90 FTE 33.75 hours per week | | | |

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| <p>4. Do they have other portfolios / operational leadership responsibilities in addition to the strategic leadership of the AHPs in the Trust?</p> <p>For example: quality and safety, patient experience, complaints, workforce, professional development, social work etc</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If so, what? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AHP preceptorship • AHP job planning • AHP transformation workstream • AHP education, training, advanced practice and workforce • AHP representation on Health Inequalities, Patient experience, People committee • Tobacco dependency services • Quality account | | | |
| <p>5. What Agenda for Change band is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP role?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 • 8A • 8B • 8C • 8D • 9 • Very senior manager pay scale • Other (please specify) | 8C | | | |
| <p>6. If someone is currently in post, are they a HCPC registered Allied Health Professional?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes | Yes, Physiotherapist | | | |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No <p>If yes, which allied health profession (please specify):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art therapist • Dietitian • Drama therapist • Music therapist • Occupational therapist • Operating department practitioner • Orthoptist • Osteopath • Paramedic • Physiotherapist • Podiatrist • Prosthetists and orthotist • Radiographer Diagnostic • Therapeutic • Speech and language therapist <p>If they are not a registered AHP, what is their professional background? (Please specify)</p> | | | | |
| 7. Who does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP report to? (please specify) | Clinical Deployment Lead | | | |

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| 8. Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP an executive member of the Trust Board, are they able to vote as a full board member? • Yes • No | 8. No | | | |
| 9. Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP a member of any sub committees of the Trust Board, for example quality and safety, workforce, performance? (Please specify) | 9. Member of the Nursing, Midwifery and AHP Committee, which reports to the Quality Committee. | | | |
| 10. Does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP deputise for an exec member of the board? | 10. No | | | |

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

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