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Dear

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

This is a Freedom of Information Act Request for information to help understand the effect of the new (2016, being introduced 2017) junior doctor contract on training in ENT (Otolaryngology). This enquiry will be repeated at a later time when all StR's would probably have transferred to the new contract.

Please can you answer the following questions:

1) Does your Trust employ ENT (Otolaryngology) Doctors?

YES

If the answer to this question is *No*, there is no need to answer any further questions - please just confirm the answer to this question. If the answer is *Yes*, please proceed to Question 2.

2a) Do you employ any Specialty Registrars (StR's) in ENT (Otolaryngology)? This means doctors at level StR3 to StR8 who are part of a recognised School of Surgery / LETB training scheme. If *Yes*, please answer 'yes' and proceed to Question 3. If *No* please answer Question 2b.

YES – School of Surgery

2b) Do you host any Specialty Registrars (StR's) in ENT (Otolaryngology) employed by a LETB training scheme (in some rotations the StR's have contracts with the LETB, instead of individual trusts). This means doctors at level StR3 to StR8 who are part of a recognised School of Surgery / LETB training scheme employed by the LETB. If *Yes*, please answer 'yes' and proceed to Question 3.

If the answer to Question 2a *and* 2b is *No*, there is no need to answer any further questions - please just confirm the answer to these questions.

3) How many Specialty Registrars (StR's) in ENT (Otolaryngology) do you (or the LETB, in your Trust) employ?

4) For each of these Specialty Registrars (StR's), please provide the following information:

Averaged per week over a rotational cycle for on call and daytime commitments, excluding any leave of any kind, or public holidays, or regional study days if they are not at least once per fortnight, for the registrar or any other member of the medical staff, including consultants, how many hours and (if applicable) how many half-day sessions does the Specialty Registrar spend in the following activities (E.g. If the Registrar spent from 9AM until 1PM as paid personal development time one day per week, the answer to that question would be 4 hours and 1 half day):

a) On Consultant supervised ward rounds?

1.5 hours per day

b) On other ward rounds (non supervised)?

NIL

c) In Consultant supervised outpatient clinics?

3 half day sessions per week

d) In other outpatient clinics (non supervised)?

NIL

e) In Consultant supervised operating sessions?

4 half day sessions per week

f) In other operating sessions (non supervised)?

When consultant on leave registrars may cover lists unsupervised providing supporting consultant available in theatre complex

g) In paid personal development / Study / SPA time?

1 half day session per week plus 1 half day session per month

h) Departmental teaching?

1 half day session per week

i) Undertaking emergency on call work (excluding time when they are also undertaking one of the activities above)?

Part of 1:7 rota

j) Any other contracted regular activities - please give hours / sessions and specify the activity?

NIL

5) Is the Specialty Registrar (StR) compulsory resident when on call?

NO

6) After weekday nights on call, does the Specialty Registrar (StR) routinely have time off the next day because they have been on call?

NO

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If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely

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