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Dear PJ Ballinger

Requests under Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Ref: FOI/1213/396, 397 & 398

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which we received on 20 August 2012 regarding Health Visiting Services within our Trust. Please find below our response:

Section 12 of the Act makes provision for public authorities to refuse requests for information where the amount of time taken and therefore cost of dealing with them would exceed the appropriate limit. Regrettably preparing the entire information you have requested would exceed the appropriate cost limit as set out in the fees regulations. This is based on a calculation that extracting this information would take administration staff and information analysts over 20-hours to collate.

Rather than refusing your request at this stage, we would like to explore with you how we may best assist you and offer the information relating to the following questions that you have asked:

REQUEST:

FOI/1213/396

Would you be so kind as to provide:

1. Health Visitor caseload numbers of children for 2006,2007,2008,2009,2010 and 2011.
(please provide average (mean) caseload size, median and range)
2. Numbers of Health Visitors /Public Health Nurse Practitioners at grade 6 AfC
Numbers of Public Health Nurses at grade 5 AfC
Numbers of Nursery Nurses at grade 4 AfC

for the following years: 2006,2007,2008,2009,2010,2011

FOI/1213/397

For the years 2006-2012 can you state for each year the numbers of Specialist Health Visitors (Public Health Nurse Practitioners) AfC grade 7 working in the following areas:

1. Haemoglobinopathies
2. Children with Special Needs
3. Homeless and Homeless Families
4. Gypsies and Travellers
5. Asylum Seekers and Refugees
6. Community Development

7. Hospital Paediatric Liaison

FOI/1213/398

Would you please be so kind as to provide the numbers of children under the age of 5 years under the care of the Health Visiting Service during each of the years 2006-2011 who:

1. Had a Child Protection Plan
2. Were identified as 'Children in Need'
3. Were identified as 'Children with Special Needs'
4. Were identified as living in families/homes where at least one adult was identified as needing extra support.

OUR RESPONSE:

The data provided within our responses below has been prepared in a manner that we hope will assist you but cannot be validated as it has come from multiple sources and records following the merger of several Trusts under the Transforming Community Services agenda.

FOI/1213/396

Would you be so kind as to provide:

1. Health Visitor caseload numbers of children for 2006,2007,2008,2009,2010 and 2011.
(please provide average (mean) caseload size, median and range)

We are unable to provide the data to support 2006 – 2010 but for 2011 there were:
City 1-527 and County 1-450

2. Numbers of Health Visitors /Public Health Nurse Practitioners at grade 6 AfC
Numbers of Public Health Nurses at grade 5 AfC
Numbers of Nursery Nurses at grade 4 AfC

for the following years: 2006,2007,2008,2009,2010,2011

We are unable to provide data before 2008 as the database was only created from 2008.
The data is presented as City and County combined:

Numbers of Health Visitors /Public Health Nurse Practitioners at grade 6 AfC
2008 – 117; 2009 – 112; 2010 – 123; 2011 – 128

Numbers of Public Health Nurses at grade 5 AfC
2008 – 6; 2009 – 3; 2010 – 8; 2011 – 0

Numbers of Nursery Nurses at grade 4 AfC
2008 – 51; 2009 – 69; 2010 – 82; 2011 – 78

FOI/1213/397

For the years 2006-2012 can you state for each year the numbers of Specialist Health Visitors (Public Health Nurse Practitioners) AfC grade 7 working in the following areas:

1. Haemoglobinopathies: Not provided by this Trust
2. Children with Special Needs: 2006 -2009 7; 2009 -11 6; 2011/12 5 (4.6 whole time equivalent)
3. Homeless and Homeless Families: 0.75 by City
4. Gypsies and Travellers: 1 across the whole of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland
5. Asylum Seekers and Refugees: 0.61
6. Community Development: Unable to provide data
7. Hospital Paediatric Liaison: Not provided by this Trust

Would you please be so kind as to provide the numbers of children under the age of 5 years under the care of the Health Visiting Service during each of the years 2006-2011 who:

1. Had a Child Protection Plan

Only the total number of care plans is recorded and they are not distinguished by age. Again City and County numbers are combined and are taken from the highest peak for each year:

2008 – no data available; 2009 – 1196; 2010 – 780; 2011 – 1031

2. Were identified as 'Children in Need': No information found

3. Were identified as 'Children with Special Needs' No information found

4. Were identified as living in families/homes where at least one adult was identified as needing extra support. This is not recorded.

Also see attached the Annual Safeguarding reports as additional supporting information.

I trust this response is helpful to you. However, if you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to:

*Sam Kirkland, Records Transformation and Information Governance Manager.
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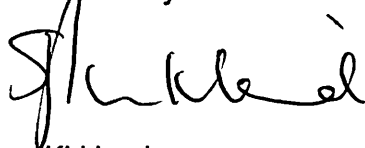
Please remember to quote the reference number above in any communications.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

*The Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Phone: 0303 123 1113. Website: www.ico.gov.uk .
There is no charge for making an appeal.*

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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