

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Response to Request

Our Ref: FOI 24-080

21 February 2024

Request and Response

Thank you for your interest in Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust. Your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). As you are probably aware, this legislation provides public access to recorded information held by a public authority unless an appropriate exemption applies.

Please note that Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust has added Calderstones Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool Community Health NHS Trust and North West Boroughs Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust to its portfolio over the years. Further information on this and the dates of each acquisition are on our website at www.mersecare.nhs.uk/about-us/about-mersey-care-who-we-are/our-vision-values-and-aims

Please find below the Trust's response to your request that we received on 17 February 2024.

- 1. The number of nurses your organisation referred to the Nursing and Midwifery Council in each of the following years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023.*

Year	Referrals
2019	3
2020	2
2021	1
2022	2
2023	4

- 2. The number of Midwives your organisation referred to the Nursing and Midwifery Council in each of the following years 2019,2020,2021, 2022 and 2023.*

There are no midwives working within the Trust.

About the Trust

Mersey Care is one of the largest trusts providing physical health and mental health services in the North West and beyond, serving a population around 1.4 million across our region (Halton, Warrington, Knowsley, Liverpool, Sefton and St Helens) and is also commissioned for services that cover the North West, North Wales and the Midlands. It offers specialist in-patient and community services that support physical and mental

health and specialist in-patient mental health, learning disability, addiction and brain injury services. It is one of only three trusts in the UK that offer high secure mental health facilities. Further information is available at www.merseycare.nhs.uk.

Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003

Please be aware that any personal information that may be disclosed within this response has been provided for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, including transparency and accountability. The provision of this information by the Trust should not be interpreted as consent for the purposes of direct marketing, sales purpose or unsolicited marketing. Under the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003, the Trust asks not to receive unsolicited marketing communications.

Any requests to become a new/potential supplier should be directed to our Procurement Team (procurement@merseycare.nhs.uk), as per guidance on our website at www.merseycare.nhs.uk/about-us/procurement.

Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005

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Review Procedure

We hope this provides the information required. However, if it is felt that the way the request was handled or the content of the response is unsatisfactory and should be reviewed, please write to the Information Governance Team at FOI@merseycare.nhs.uk requesting an internal review and stating the reference number at the top of this document.

A request for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days of the day this response was sent. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the discretion of the Data Protection Officer.

If it is then felt that the outcome of the internal review is unsatisfactory, a complaint can be made directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision, but it should be noted that the ICO will not make a decision unless the Trust's internal review process has been followed first. The primary way of contacting the ICO is via www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints, whilst alternative contact details for them are available at www.ico.org.uk/global/contact-us.

* <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/version/3/>