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Dear P Singh,

Further to your request for information received on 22/02/2013 and allocated reference number FOI-2013-1425 please find below our response to your question.

Question

1. How many paediatric surgeons currently work within your trust that perform general paediatric operations, e.g. orchidopexy for undescended testes, inguinal herniotomy and circumcisions?
2. How many operating sessions do they perform per week?
3. Do your surgeons operate and/or perform outreach clinics at other trusts?
4. What paediatric population do you cover?

Response

1. The Trust employs:
 - 4 full-time paediatric general surgeons; including one locum.
 - 5 part-time paediatric general surgeons, 2 of whom are part-time urology, 2 of whom are part time at UHNS (Stoke), 1 of whom is part-time with Liverpool University, and 1 of whom is part time with Mersey Deanery;
 - 1 full-time urologist (+ the 2 part-time general surgeons as described above);
 - 1 part-time urologist who is part-time adult urology as well (Aintree);
 - 1 part-time adolescent gynaecologist who is part-time adult gynaecology as well (Liverpool Women's Hospital).

All the general surgeons do general paediatric operations.

2. All of the Trust's general surgeons perform between 1.5 - 3 theatre sessions a week dependent on the amount of PA's they deliver clinically at AHFT.
3. Yes, the team deliver outreach clinics at other Trusts.
4. The Trust's catchment population includes; Merseyside, Cheshire, West Lancashire, North Staffordshire, North Wales and the Isle of Man.

If you have any queries about this response or wish to discuss your request further please contact the Information Governance team.

If you are unhappy with the response provided, you are entitled, under the Freedom of Information Act to request an internal review.

Yours sincerely,

Information Governance Team
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