

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 17-421**

Date 18 July 2017

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Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1. How many nurses, midwives, health visitors and healthcare assistants had to pass the International English Language Test System (IELTS) exam before they joined your organisation?**
- 2. How many nurses, midwives, health visitors and healthcare assistants undertook IELTS exams while already employed by your organisation?**
- 3. For the last two financial years please identify:**
 - a. How many nurses failed IELTS**
 - b. How many nurses retook the IELTS exam**
 - c. How many nurses passed the IELTS exam**
- 4. If your organisation covers the cost of any form of tutorial support for nurses before they undertake IELTS please provide the cost of this.**

The Trust has not undertaken any overseas recruitment of this nature, therefore we do not hold this information.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, 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:

Trust Secretary
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click [here](#).

Yours sincerely,

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