

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 17-614**

Date 13 October 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:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the following data:

- 1) The expected cost of the apprentice levy to University Hospitals Bristol NHSFT in 2017/18 in GBP and as a share of your planned operating cost and total pay bill.**

The apprenticeship levy is £1.494 million. As a percentage of the Trust's operating cost this represent 0.24% of the monthly submission to NHSI. Forecast pay costs were £378.582 million, therefore the levy represents 0.39% of the total pay bill.

- 2) The number of apprentices in University Hospitals Bristol NHSFT in 2016/17 and the number of apprentices planned for 2017/18.**

In 16/17 the Trust had 11 apprentices.

In 17/18 there are 348 planned apprenticeship starts.

- 3) The number of those apprentices who are on a nursing apprenticeship.**

The Trust has or is planning the following numbers:

- Nurse Assistants (Healthcare Support Worker apprenticeship) – planned 138, with 41 current starts
- Nurse Associate (Level 5) – zero starts, the Trust is currently reviewing planned numbers
- Nurse Degree (Level 6) – zero starts with plans to review potential starts from September 2018

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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