

Freedom of Information Request**Ref: UHB 18-097**

Date 13 April 2018

By Email

Dear Sir

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

- 1. Please could you provide a list of doctors who have taken study leave overseas in the past 12 months (up to and including the month of January 2018) as part of their continued professional development? I do not expect you to name the doctors but please could you provide their job title/position, the dates of the study leave, the location (country and city), the name of the conference/purpose of the trip and how much money the trust spent (either directly or claimed back in expenses) on the trip. Details should include amount spent by the Trust on accommodation, flights, conference fees and any other related costs.**

We do not hold this information.

- 2. Please could you state if the Trust has a specific allowance for how much doctors are able to claim towards their continued professional development each year.**

Up until the end of this financial year (17-18) DiTs and clinical fellows have had access to an annual allowance of £563/£550 respectively.

For some grades and specialties, some of this is top-sliced for regional study days. For example, a paediatric ST 4-5 has £100 top-sliced to pay for regional simulation teaching and, therefore, has access to a £463 allowance. Please be advised there has not yet been a local UHBristol decision on clinical fellows' study leave allowance.

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
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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

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Yours sincerely,

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