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I am responding to your request for information received 4 October 2021. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Keshia Harvey

Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113 Web: <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

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Request:

Dear East London NHS Foundation Trust.

In December 2020 the Adult Mental Health Team at NHSE offered Mental Health Trusts the chance to apply for funding for a Band 7 KUF Lived Experience Professional (LXP) role. They have let us know via a FOI request that your trust successfully applied for this funding.

When applying for the funding:

Question 1. Have you employed LXP staff at Band 7+ before?

Answer: Yes, the Trust had employed Lived Experience Professional (LXP)

role at Band 7+ before.

Question 2. What do you feel enabled you to meet the short turnaround & funding criteria?

Answer: Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—

(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and

(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.

The FOI Act relates to held and documented information. The Trust does not hold the information requested and it is therefore not disclosable.

Question 3. Was this decision made collaboratively with LXP staff - if not, were they made aware of the offer?

Answer: Lived experience staff were consulted about the opportunity, reviewed

the job description and sat on the interview panels.

Question 4. Was the decision subject to an Equality Impact Assessment?

Answer: There was no local Equality Impact Assessment. This may have been

completed at a national level by NHS-England who provide the

funding.

Question 5. If your trust has advertised the post, please provide a:

* Job title

* Job Description

* Person Specification

* Date the post was advertised

* What category on NHS jobs it was advertised under (ie. admin, AMHP)

* If an applicant was successful & is in post

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information

under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

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(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

London - https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916663136 This post has been recruited to.

Bedfordshire - https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916766594

This post is currently out to advert and closed on 31 October 2021.

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