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I am responding to your request for information received **5TH May 2022**. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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,



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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.

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Request:

Question 1: How many Learning Disability nurses have been employed by your trust over the last five years (please supply this information annually, from 2017 to 2022)?

Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Total Number of Learning Disability Nurses
2017	61
2018	59
2019	75
2020	76
2021	80
2022	88

Question 2: Regarding the Learning Disability nurse, or nurses, currently employed by your trust, in which hospital(s) and/or other settings are they based? If the nurse(s) work across multiple settings, please include all of them

Answer: Learning Disability Nurses within the Trust work in a number of different settings including the following:

- Corporate
- Community Learning Disability Teams/Services
- Community Nurses, Specialist Health Facilitation Roles/Crisis roles
- Primary Care
- Adult Mental Health Community
- Acute Mental Health Wards
- Learning Disability Forensic Wards
- Acute Hospitals with honorary contracts with those providers (Bedfordshire Hospitals)
- CAMHS

Question 3: Could you share the hours worked by the Learning Disability nurse, or nurses, currently employed? For example, do they cover 9am-5pm or is there 24 hour provision?

Answer: Learning Disability Nurses in the trust work different hours which include both 9am to 5pm and 24 hour shift patterns.

Question 4: Could you share the band of the Learning Disability nurse, or nurses, currently employed by your trust?

Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Band 5	Band 6	Band 7	Band 8a/b/c/d
2022	22	32	21	13

Question 5: Do you employ any other healthcare professionals with a learning disability speciality?

Answer: Yes. These include:

- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Arts Therapists (Arts/Music and Drama)
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech and Language Therapists
- Social Workers
- Dieticians
- Behaviour
- Therapists
- Physiotherapists