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I am responding to your request for information received 24 February 2023. I am sincerely 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,



Nimita Parmar
Information Rights Coordinator

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: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: I am emailing for an FOI request in regard to International Recruitment within your trust. I am looking to gain a point of contact I could potentially reach out to throughout my studies for international recruitment to discuss the regular needs/budgets for time periods etc.

Question 1: The number of nurses employed through International Recruitment within your trust between January 2021 - Present (Feb 23).

Answer: We are unable to determine how many international nurses were recruited between January 2021 and February 2023 as our data is not held in that way. We can confirm that as of 27 March 2023, the Trust employed twelve international nurses.

Question 2: The current budget the trust holds for international recruitment between January 2021 - Present (Feb 23)

Answer: The Trust does not have a budget for international recruitment.

Question 3: Your current protocol for recruiting internationally - ie: in house or within agencies?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

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

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2022-09/ANON%20Response%20-%20FOI%20DA4335.pdf>

Question 4: If agencies, please list the agencies currently used & if possible, a point of contact for them that I could maybe reach out to for further info? I am happy to have an email address for POC.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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 them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 5: *Budget/Cost for agencies used – if any

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 6: Estimated number of international recruitment needs for 2023 - if any.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
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East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information on estimated recruitment needs and is therefore unable to provide a response.



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