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I am responding to your request for information received 15 August 2025. 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,

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: In light of the Leng review, I write to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide copies of all internal business cases and/or workforce consultations produced or commissioned by your Trust since 1 January 2020 that involve any of the following:

1. **A reduction in the number of doctors employed by the Trust, either by headcount or full-time equivalence.**
2. **A reduction in the number of doctors in any service or department, either by headcount or full-time equivalence.**
3. **An introduction or increase in the employment of Physician Associates, either by headcount or full-time equivalence.**

Answer: Please see attached Appendix 1 and 2.

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.

The information which has been redacted relates to less than five individuals and has the potential for those individuals to be identified. The Trust is therefore unable to provide this information and has redacted it.

4. An introduction or increase in the employment of Anaesthesia Associates, either by headcount or full-time equivalence.

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 is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not employ Anaesthesia Associates. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.



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