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We are responding to your request for information received 23rd January 2026. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team

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: Do you have any current Multi-Professional Approved Clinicians (MPAC) trainees?

a. If yes, how many MPAC trainees do you have?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 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:

Question 2:

https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2025-11/anon_response_-_foi_da6250.pdf

Question 2: Are you employing any MPACs?

a. If yes, how many MPACs are you employing?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 3: Do your employed MPACs take on Responsible Clinician (RC) roles?

a. If yes, in what setting do they take on these roles? For example, are they acting as RC on an individual level for individual service users, or at a team level for a ward?

Answer: Yes, they work as part of an MDT across both inpatient wards and community services, and act as Responsible Clinicians for individual service users as part of this work.

Question 4: Do your employed MPACs have any clear supervisory roles for resident doctors?

Answer: They do not fulfil the clinical supervisor role for resident doctors and work within the Silver Guide (Section 11.4)

https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/docs/default-source/training/training/silver-guide-version-august-2024.pdf?sfvrsn=6933c4cb_19

In Tower Hamlets, all resident doctors continue to have substantive consultant psychiatrists as their allocated clinical supervisors.

Question 5: Do your employed MPACs take on the nominated deputy role for completing 5(2)?

Answer: No



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Question 6: Do your employed MPACs take part on the on call rota?

Answer The Trust has reviewed question 7 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 5:

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Question 7: Do you have a clear policy to determine allocation of psychiatrists or MPACs as the RC?

Answer There is no specific policy and this is determined by how teams choose to work locally.

Question 8: In cases where the MPAC is acting as the RC but is not a qualified prescriber, what mechanism do you have in place to ensure a suitably qualified Approved Clinician (AC) is in charge of prescriptions?

Answer MPACs are also non-medical prescribers so this is not applicable.



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