FOI: 36101 DATE: 06/04/2018 SUBJECT: Ophthalmology Department

QUESTION

Physical capacity

- 1. How many ophthalmology testing/consulting rooms does your Trust have in total? (Please include outpatient rooms/testing cubicles/mobile testing facility rooms etc)
- 2. How many theatre sessions does ophthalmology use per week?
- 3. Do you use mobile facilities either on site or in the community (e.g. motorised or tow-able facilities e.g. see images)



- 4. If you answered yes to question 3, how many rooms do these provide?
- 5. If you answered no to question 3, do you have any plans to add mobile facilities?
- 6. Do you offer NHS care at weekends i.e. six or seven day working

Workforce Capacity

- 7. How many ophthalmologists do you currently employ (all grades)?
- 8. How many ophthalmology posts (all grades) are currently vacant?
- 9. Are you experiencing recruitment difficulties in ophthalmology?
- 10. If you answered yes to question 9, please tick all the grades and staff groups where you are experiencing recruitment difficulties
- ophthalmology consultant grades
- ophthalmology SAS grades (including specialist doctors and associate specialists \Box
- junior doctor grades
- medical training grades
- ophthalmic nurses 🗆

- optometrists 🗆
- contact lens opticians
- orthoptists 🗆

Department Management

- 11. Do you have a departmental manager(s) for ophthalmology, and if so how many?
- 12. How many years has he/she been in post? Please tick one box (if more than one manager answer based on the lead/head manager)
- 13. Does he/she also manage other non-ophthalmic facilities?
- 14. What is his/her Agenda for Change Pay band?

External Capacity

- 15. Do you subcontract ophthalmology capacity from the independent sector?
- 16. If you answered yes to question 15, please tick the statement(s) that apply
 - on a planned/permanent/semi-permanent basis \Box
 - on an ad hoc short-term basis when there are pressures $\ \ \Box$
 - for specific waiting list type initiatives \Box

Paying Patients

- 17. Does your Trust provide or provide facilities for private ophthalmology services?
- 18. Do your employed ophthalmologists practise in these?
- 19. Do your employed ophthalmologists operate their own private practices from your premises?
- 20. Do independent ophthalmology providers provide services from your premises?

RESPONSE:

- 1. 13 in outpatients
- 2. 16 Planned session's week 1 and 18 planned week 2
- 3. No
- 4. Not applicable

5. No

- 6. Yes via the option of Casualty Clinic cover but not inpatients or routine clinics/theatres
- 7. 9 Consultants but they don't work full-time.
 - 3 FTE middle grades (Associate Specialist/Staff Grades)
 - Training grades, Ophthalmic Practitioners and Orthoptists excluded
- 8. 0
- 9. No
- 10. Not applicable
- 11. 1 Business Manager covers the Ophthalmology specialty
- 12. 2 years Ophthalmology was transferred into Medicine last September, 2017

13. Yes

14. We are unable to provide this information as it relates to one member of staff.

15. No

- 16. Not applicable
- 17. No
- 18. No
- 19. No
- 20. No

ATTACHMENT: No