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### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to acute learning disability liaison nurses.

- 1. Does your trust currently directly employ a learning disability liaison nurse(s)?*
- 2. If you have directly employed one or more learning disability liaison nurses in the last five years, how many have you employed, what bands/levels are they and how many hours per week do they work? Please provide this information for 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.*
- 3. Do you currently directly employ a consultant learning disability nurse? If not, do you have any plans to employ one in the future?*
- 4. If you do not currently directly employ a learning disability liaison nurse, do you have any plans in place to employ one in the future?*
- 5. Does your trust currently host an acute liaison nurse(s) who may be employed by specialist learning disability services?*
- 6. If you have hosted one or more learning disability liaison nurses in the last five years, how many have you employed and what bands/levels are they and how many hours per week do they work? Please provide this information for 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015.*
- 7. If you do not currently employ or host a learning disability liaison nurse, do you have any plans in place to employ or host one in the future?*

1. The Trust has community liaison learning disability nurses whose role is to form a vital link between the acute hospitals and the Community Learning Disability Team. The main aim is to link with key practitioners, departments

and wards to support when people with learning disabilities access the acute trust.

Tunbridge Wells hospital link nurses:

South West Kent Team for People with a Learning Disability

Tel: 03000 417 222

Maidstone hospital link nurses:

Maidstone and Malling Team for People with a Learning Disability

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2. Not applicable

3. No, not currently

4. No, not currently

5. No

6. Not applicable

7. Not currently