

FOI 0219 2024 Response

Dear FOI officer,

Please find a request for information about registered mental health nurses in your employment, under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, 2000.

1. Do you currently have a uniform policy that requires that at least some, if not all, registered mental health nurses working in your Trust must wear uniforms? Yes/No

We do have a Workwear Policy not Uniform Policy, which addresses workplace appearances as a general application to all staff.

Please see attached.

2. If yes to Q1, which clinical areas does the policy apply to? If you know the numbers of nurses this involves, please state here.....
 - a. Acute inpatients Yes/No
 - b. Older adult inpatients Yes/No
 - c. Other inpatients – please specify type Yes/No
 - d. Community services – please specify type Yes/No
 - e. Unknown area Yes/No

The Workwear Policy is applicable to every member of staff.

3. New national uniforms are being introduced in the NHS in England soon. Will your trust be implementing the new uniform for some or all of its nursing staff? Yes/No/Not yet known

This is not known yet.

4. If yes to Q3, will this apply to at least some registered mental health nurses working in your Trust? Yes/No/Not yet known

This is not known yet.

5. If yes to Q4, which clinical areas does the policy apply to?
 - a. Acute inpatients Yes/No
 - b. Older adult inpatients Yes/No
 - c. Other inpatients – please specify type Yes/No
 - d. Community services – please specify type Yes/No
 - e. Not yet established Yes/No

This is not known yet.