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Dear,

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

FOI Request

You asked us:

I am seeking information from your most senior strategic lead for allied health professions to answer the following 10 questions.

- 1 What is the job title of the strategic lead/ most senior Allied Health Professional (AHP) in your Trust?**
 - Chief AHP
 - Director of AHPs
 - Other (please specify)

- 2 Is there someone employed in this post currently?**
 - Yes
 - No

If not, why not?

- 3 How many hours a week are dedicated specifically to this role?**
 - Full time (1.0wte)
 - Part time (please specify wte hours)
 - Job share (please specify)

Do they have other portfolios / operational leadership responsibilities in addition to the strategic leadership of the AHPs in the Trust? For example:



quality and safety, patient experience, complaints, workforce, professional development, social work etc

If so, what?

4 What Agenda for Change band is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP role?

7

8A

8B

8C

8D

G

Very senior manager pay scale

Other (please specify)

5 If someone is currently in post, are they a HCPC registered Allied Health Professional?

Yes

No

If yes, which allied health profession (please specify):

Art therapist

Dietitian

Drama therapist

Music therapist

Occupational therapist

Operating department practitioner

Orthoptist

Osteopath

Paramedic

Physiotherapist

Podiatrist

Prosthetists and orthotist

Radiographer

Diagnostic

Therapeutic

Speech and language therapist

6 If they are not a registered AHP, what is their professional background?
(Please specify)

7 Who does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP report to? (please specify)

8 Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP an executive member of the Trust Board, are they able to vote as a full board member?

Yes

No



G Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP a member of any sub committees of the Trust Board, for example quality and safety, workforce, performance? (Please specify)

10 Does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP deputise for an exec member of the board?

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds part of the information you have requested.

1 What is the job title of the strategic lead/ most senior Allied Health Professional (AHP) in your Trust?

- Chief AHP
- Director of AHPs
- Other (please specify)

Chief Paramedic Officer

2 Is there someone employed in this post currently?

Yes

No

If not, why not?

Yes

3 How many hours a week are dedicated specifically to this role?

- Full time (1.0wte)
- Part time (please specify wte hours)
- Job share (please specify)

Do they have other portfolios / operational leadership responsibilities in addition to the strategic leadership of the AHPs in the Trust? For example: quality and safety, patient experience, complaints, workforce, professional development, social work etc

If so, what?

Full time (1.0wte)

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- Very senior manager pay scale
- Other (please specify)

Very senior manager pay scale

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If yes, which allied health profession (please specify):

- Art therapist
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- Drama therapist
- Music therapist
- Occupational therapist
- Operating department practitioner
- Orthoptist
- Osteopath
- Paramedic
- Physiotherapist
- Podiatrist
- Prosthetists and orthotist
- Radiographer Diagnostic Therapeutic
- Speech and language therapist

Paramedic

6 If they are not a registered AHP, what is their professional background? (Please specify)

N/A

7 Who does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP report to? (please specify)

Chief Executive Officer

8 Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP an executive member of the Trust Board, are they able to vote as a full board member?

Yes

G Is the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP a member of any sub committees of the Trust Board, for example quality and safety, workforce, performance?



(Please specify)

Yes, Quality & Patient Safety Committee and People Committee

10 Does the most senior strategic (Chief) AHP deputise for an exec member of the board?

N/A see answer to Q8

Next steps

Please note you will be able to source a lot of information which is made available on our website.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance, via the following email address: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer.

We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](#) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:
Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Coordinator
South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**



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