

FOI 3766

## Workforce Planning for Prosthetic and Orthotic Services

Provide responses to each of the following questions. Where a question is not applicable to your organisation, state “Not Applicable” and briefly explain why.

**1 Does your Trust/Health Board currently provide or commission a Prosthetic service?**

No

**2 Does your Trust/Health Board currently provide or commission an Orthotic service for patients?**

Yes

**3a If you answered Yes to Question 1: Is your Prosthetic service delivered in-house (i.e. directly employed NHS staff) or is it contracted out to an external provider?**

N/A

**3b If you answered Yes to Question 2: Is your Orthotic service delivered in-house (i.e. directly employed NHS staff) or is it contracted out to an external provider?**

The orthotist is contracted through a contract with an external provider.

**4 Does your Trust/Health Board carry out workforce planning analysis for your Allied Health Professional (AHP) workforce?**

Yes

**5a If you answered Yes to Question 4: Does your AHP workforce planning specifically include your Prosthetic service workforce (whether in-house or contracted)?**

No

**5b If you answered Yes to Question 4: Does your AHP workforce planning specifically include your Orthotic service workforce (whether in-house or contracted)?**

No

**6a If your Prosthetic service is contracted out (as indicated in Question 3a): Does your Trust/Health Board carry out workforce planning for the contracted Prosthetic service?**

N/A

**6b If your Orthotic service is contracted out (as indicated in Question 3b): Does your Trust/Health Board carry out workforce planning for the contracted Orthotic service?**

No

**7a If you answered Yes to Question 6a: How does your Trust/Health Board collate workforce planning data from the contracted Prosthetic service provider? Please describe the process, including the frequency of data collection and what data is gathered.**

N/A

**7b If you answered Yes to Question 6b: How does your Trust/Health Board collate workforce planning data from the contracted Orthotic service provider? Please describe the process, including the frequency of data collection and what data is gathered.**

N/A

**8 If your Trust/Health Board does not carry out workforce planning for its Prosthetic and/or Orthotic services (whether in-house or contracted), please explain what steps you are taking to secure the prosthetic and/orthotic workforce pipeline.**

There is an external contract for orthotist provision and they complete a 6 monthly assurance template.

**9 Does your Trust/Health Board include data from its Prosthetic and/or Orthotic services (whether in-house or contracted) in any workforce returns submitted to NHS England, NHS Wales, NHS Scotland, or equivalent national workforce planning bodies?**

No

**10 Provide the current whole time equivalent (WTE) staffing establishment for your Prosthetic and/or Orthotic services, broken down by: (a) Prosthetists, (b) Orthotists, (c) Prosthetic/Orthotic Technicians, (d) Prosthetic/Orthotic support workers (e) Please indicate whether each figure relates to in-house or contracted staff.**

**Numerical breakdown with in-house/contracted designation.**

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