

FOI 0124/2023 Response

Request

Dear Fabida and Patrick

We are writing on behalf of our organisation, Dorset HealthCare University NHS Trust. We are conducting a review of our medical on-call rotas for mental health services with a focus on clinical effectiveness, rota resilience, clinician wellbeing, training needs and costs. We are also looking at the potential for workforce transformation in this area of practice. We hope to benchmark our rota arrangements against other Mental Health Trusts and would hugely appreciate your support as part of this.

We would be grateful for the opportunity to compare and contrast our on-call arrangements. We wonder if you would be kind enough to provide any policies and procedures concerning your on-call arrangements, and, if you have such a thing, any summary of how your medical on-call rotas are structured as well as any local on-call guidance or handbook you may use, and any review you have undertaken. These will be treated with full confidentiality and our final report will not mention any specific Trust by name.

A version of our review will be gladly shared with all Trusts supporting our benchmarking exercise.

Response

Please find attached the Trust's On Call Guide.

Please note that the Trust has applied an exemption Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because we do not routinely release staff members personal information.