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**By email**  
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Dear ██████████

### **Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the “FOI Act”)**

I refer to your email of 7 December 2017 in which you requested information under the FOI Act from NHS Improvement. Since 1 April 2016, Monitor and the NHS Trust Development Authority “NHS TDA” are operating as an integrated organisation known as NHS Improvement. For the purposes of this decision, NHS Improvement means Monitor and the NHS TDA.

### **Your request**

You requested the following information:

*“Total absence cost in man hours and cost in sterling for all NHS employees under the following categories:  
(I am assuming this data is provided by management on a monthly basis and is fully recorded)*

1. *Short term absence due to sickness*
2. *Short term absence due to training*
3. *Short term absence due to any other reason.*
4. *Long term absence due to sickness.*
5. *Long term absence due to training*
6. *Long term absence due to any other reason.*

*I would appreciate the above information as a total and also the same broken down by each NHS Trust for England & Wales.*

*(I appreciate that the above information will not include holidays, but would include absence for 'compassionate leave' for example. (Any absence other than holidays)*

*Could I obtain the above information covering the last 12 months. (Or the last 12 months were data is fully available)*

*I would be very grateful if the information could be provided in 'PDF Format'.”*

## **Decision**

NHS Improvement does not hold the information that you have requested.

## **Response**

The information requested is not held by NHS Improvement.

You may wish to contact NHS Digital to make a request for the above information. Details of how to make a request for information to NHS Digital can be found here

<https://digital.nhs.uk/article/253/Freedom-of-Information>.

## **Review rights**

If you consider that your request for information has not been properly handled or if you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you can try to resolve this informally with the person who dealt with your request. If you remain dissatisfied, you may seek an internal review within NHS Improvement of the issue or the decision. A senior member of NHS Improvement's staff, who has not previously been involved with your request, will undertake that review.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the FOI Act.

A request for an internal review should be submitted in writing to FOI Request Reviews, NHS Improvement, Wellington House, 133-155 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8UG or by email to [nhsi.foi@nhs.net](mailto:nhsi.foi@nhs.net).

## **Publication**

Please note that this letter will shortly be published on our website. This is because information disclosed in accordance with the FOI Act is disclosed to the public at large. We will, of course, remove your personal information (e.g. your name and contact details) from the version of the letter published on our website to protect your personal information from general disclosure.

Yours sincerely,

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