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By email

Dear

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "FOI Act")

I refer to your email of 31 August 2017 in which you requested information under the FOI Act from NHS Improvement.

Your request

You made the following request:

I would like to know, in respect of both the "Aspiring Deputy Executive Nurse programme" and the "Aspiring Nurse Director Programme" as referenced on your website [[https://improvement.nhs.uk/resources/aspiring-deputy-executive-nurse-programme/]:

- (i) for how many years these programmes have been run?;
- (ii) for each of the years in which these programmes have been run:
 - (a) how many places were available on the each programme;
 - (b) how many applications were received for each programme;
- (c) assuming 2017 was not the first year for either/each programme, what the pass rate was in the earlier years (ie. how many participants secured the Pg Cert).

Decision

NHS Improvement holds the information that you have requested. NHS Improvement has decided to release all of the information that it holds.

For how many years these programmes have been run? – NHS Improvement ran a cohort of the Aspiring Nurse Director programme in 2016 and 2017 and a cohort of the Aspiring Deputy Executive Nurse programme in 2017.

For each of the years in which these programmes have been run:

- (a) how many places were available on the each programme NHS Improvement had fifteen places available in each year for each programme.
- (b) how many applications were received for each programme NHS Improvement received:
- 42 applications for the Aspiring Nurse Director programme 2016
- 19 applications for the Aspiring Nurse Director programme 2017
- 19 applications for the Aspiring Deputy Executive Nurse programme 2017.
- (c) assuming 2017 was not the first year for either/each programme, what the pass rate was in the earlier years there was a 100% pass rate for the Aspiring Nurse Director programme 2016. The 2017 programmes are still in progress.

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.

<u>Publication</u>

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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