

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

Reference

19-20127

Date sent

16/07/2019

Subject

Brexit Related Staffing Risks

Details of enquiry

I am writing to you in order to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

- The number of healthcare professionals from EU27 nations who have stopped working for your NHS Trust in the past year
- Any risk assessments formulated in the last 3 months relating to a predicted increase in staffing vacancies as a result of Brexit, or particularly a no-deal Brexit.
- Any planning documents formulated in the last 3 months which outline the expected response to increasing staffing vacancies as a result of Brexit, or particularly a no-deal Brexit.

Response Sent

Your questions relate to information which the Trust holds, but is intended for future release/publication by the Trust, once all the Brexit negotiations have been concluded. This information is therefore exempt from release at this time, as the Trust has decided that public interest in withholding this outweighs public interest in disclosure, because public anxiety may otherwise be increased, placing unnecessary stress on the wider system if these details are released in an uncoordinated manner across the NHS.

The exemption applied to this request is section 22 of the FOIA 2000, which relates to information intended for future publication.