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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/012165

With reference to your FOI request that was received in connection with 'expenditure on competition requirements' please see response below.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request that you please provide me with details of your Trust's expenditure on competition requirements (or a reasonable estimate), including associated staffing costs (related to competition requirements) and the cost of external advice and support.

Please include details of expenditure on service changes, reconfigurations and mergers & acquisitions, and please provide figures for:

- (i) 2013/14;
- (ii) the first three quarters of the financial year 2014/15; and,
- (iii) an estimate of total expenditure for 2014/15.

Expenditure on competition issues	Expenditure in 2013/14	Expenditure in the first three quarters of the financial year 2014/15	Estimate of total expenditure for 2014/15
Staff costs (including expenses)			
External advice and support (including legal advice)			
Total			

The Trust has not been involved in any external mergers/reconfigs from 2013/2014 onwards.