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Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please see the responses to your questions below:

1. **Has your Trust used any outsourced MRI or CT radiology reporting services over the last three years?**

YES

2. **If the answer to Question 1 is yes, how much did you spend on outsourced radiology reporting in the last three years?**

	Outsourced MRI reporting spend	Outsourced CT reporting spend
2023/24	£325,426 (forecast to March 24)	£1,181,833 (forecast to March 24)
2022/23	£331,231	£1,068,510
2021/22	£264,934	£853,853

3. **Please provide the following information on the diagnostic radiographer workforce, as it pertains to the full diagnostic radiographer workforce at the Trust, as well as those involved in the CT / MRI service:**

- a. **How many permanent diagnostic radiographer WTE are employed by the Radiography/Imaging department?**
- b. **How many permanent vacancies are currently open/unfilled within the Radiography/Imaging department for diagnostic radiographers?**
- c. **How many permanent diagnostic radiographers left the Trust in the last twelve months?**

	All diagnostic radiographers	Within which: CT / MRI radiographers
Current permanent WTE	121.72	44.67
Current vacancies (WTE)	16.84	4.65

Turnover (last 12 months, WTE)	4.35%	2.49%
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**4. Do you currently have a Community Diagnostic Centre (CDC) in place? (Y/N)**

YES

**5. If the answer to question 4 is yes:**

**a. Is the CDC operated in-house, in collaboration with another Trust or by a third-party?**

In-house as well as in collaboration with 3<sup>rd</sup> party supplier

**b. If the CDC is operated by a third-party or in collaboration with another Trust, which partner(s) are involved in the operation of the CDC?**

Cobalt Health

**c. Are you exploring the option of setting up further CDCs? (Y/N) – NO**

**d. If the answer to 5c is yes, when are you planning to do so? NA**

**6. If the answer to question 4 is no:**

**a. Are you exploring the option of setting up a CDC? (Y/N)**

**b. If the answer to 6a is yes, when are you planning to do so?**

**c. If the answer to question 6a is yes, are you exploring the option of using third-party providers? (Y/N)**

NA