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Dear Sir/Madam

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Please find below/attached the Isle of Wight NHS Trust's response to your request.

What is the trusts policy on the employment of diabetics who are insulin dependent into frontline roles

Response: We would use the Attendance Management policy framework to discuss and manage any health issues.

How many frontline staff are insulin dependent and blue light drive.

Response: We do not do driving medicals on paramedics/ambulance staff and would only see them if they were referred to Occupational Health because of a health concern or sickness absence. We do not keep specific records of how many staff are diabetics, epileptics or any other health condition. We treat each case with confidentiality and on a case by case basis. We wouldn't hold these figures or add them separately onto our database.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust came into existence on 1 April 2012 and does not hold information prior to this date. If you require information prior to this date, please contact the Department of Health.

Please note that this response does not constitute consent for direct marketing.

The Isle of Wight NHS Trust serves a resident population of 140,000 with a substantial influx of tourists during the summer months. The Trust provides acute, ambulance, community,

maternity, mental health services on the Isle of Wight. As the only fully integrated service provider in England with this unique range of services comparisons with other service providers are not always straightforward.

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Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully

Freedom of Information Team

