

FOI REF: 22/711

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

- 1. What is your policy on reiki energy healing? Please provide a copy of your policy, if you have one.**

The Trust is not commissioned to provide a Reiki Energy Healing service and so there is no Trust policy for this.

- 2. In the last five years, have you engaged a reiki practitioner / energy healer for the provision of reiki/energy healing to patients?**

No.

- a. In which years?**

Not applicable.

- b. What was the cost to the NHS for each of these years?**

Not applicable.

- c. How many patients were given reiki treatment in each of these years?**

Not applicable.

Please break the results down by condition.

Not applicable.

- 3. Do you currently have a contract in place with any provider for the provision of reiki/energy healing services?**

No.

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- a. **Please provide a copy of the contract**

Not applicable.

4. **Which external organisations, charities or companies (eg the Sam Buxton Sunflower Healing Trust) have you contracted or engaged with over the provision of reiki / energy healing in the last three years?**

The Trust do refer Cancer patients to two local hospices - St Michael's and St Wilfrid's - and both organisations offer a range of complementary therapies.

- a. **Please include copies of any promotional materials, advertising materials or other documentation provided by the external organisation as part of this engagement**

Not applicable.

Please interpret my request in the broadest possible terms. If you have any doubt as to whether any information falls within the scope of my request, please assume that it does and include it in your response.

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If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

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