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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. Do you have contractual agreements with any NHS ICB's in England to provide cataract surgery? If so, please list them and answer the subsequent questions**

Under FOIA Section 1 (1) (a) East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust would advise that it does not hold this information. For information about services commissioned by the Local Integrated Care Board (ICB) who are NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board. Would you therefore please contact them direct for a response to your request, contact details as follows:

Email: sxicb.foi1@nhs.net.

- 2. Is the target for 11% of NHS funded Ophthalmic procedures to be carried out by NHS trainees, part of your contract specification or local quality standards with each ICB area in England? If so:**
 - a. How is the delivery of the 11% target monitored?**
 - b. How is the delivery of the 11% target reported?**
 - c. What are the agreed mechanisms to improve if the 11% target is not being delivered?**
 - d. Please answer separately for each agreement, unless your terms are standard throughout all hospitals/ surgical centres**

Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.

- 3. Please provide details of any additional local quality standards or KPI's which measure your provision of training.**
 - a. Please answer separately for each agreement, unless your terms are standard throughout all hospitals/ surgical centres.**

Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.

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4. **What are the details of any mechanisms in place for working with Deaneries to provide/ agree training opportunities.**
- a. **This may include descriptions of arrangements for NHS trainees to operate within the ISTC**

[Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.](#)

5. **What is the number of NHS funded cataract procedures performed at each of you centres in England**
- a. **Please provide information divided by centre and into financial yearly information.**
- b. **2021- 2022**
- c. **2022-2023**
- d. **2023-2024**

[Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.](#)

6. **What is the number of NHS funded cataract procedures performed by a NHS trainee at each of you centres in England**
- a. **Please provide information divided by centre and into financial yearly information.**
- b. **2021- 2022**
- c. **2022-2023**
- d. **2023-2024**
- e. **OR alternatively to Q5 & Q6**

[Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.](#)

7. **Please provide the percentage of NHS funded cataract operations wholly carried out by NHS trainees**
- a. **Please provide information divided by surgical centre and into financial yearly information.**
- b. **2021- 2022**
- c. **2022-2023**
- d. **2023-2024**

[Not applicable, please see answer to question 1.](#)

8. **Do you have any formal comment on the ISTC commitment to training**

[No.](#)

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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