

FOI REF: 25/644

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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. **Does your Trust provide a mask fit testing service for staff who require FFP3 respirators? (Yes/No)**

Yes.

2. **If yes, please provide the number of trained fit testers currently available in your Trust (please specify whether this is headcount or whole-time equivalent).**

7 staff have been fit to fit trained. Three of these staff are employed to undertake mask fit testing as part of the substantive dedicated service (2.9WTE).

3. **Please provide the total number of staff in your Trust who have been identified as requiring FFP3 fit testing.**

7,175 – currently under review.

4. **If available, please provide the number of fit tests conducted in the last 12 months.**

MASK APPOINTMENTS	2024/2025
Appointments booked over the year	4658
Staff who did not attend (DNAs)	940
Staff who Cancelled	562
Staff who attended	3156

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

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Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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