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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. Is Basic Life Support course mandatory for the medical professionals working for the Trust?

Yes, if they are clinical and patient facing.

2. How many courses per year does your resus training department deliver?

Course Type	Number of courses in a 12 month period
Advanced life support	5
European Paediatric Advanced Life Support	1
Hybrid ILS/PILS	2
Immediate life support	44
Paediatric Immediate Life support	34
Obstetric Immediate life support	5
Basic Life Support	115
Neonatal Life support	5

These figures will alter year to year depending on a number of variables including staffing, room availability and other impacting factors such as industrial action.

3. What percentage of doctors/nurses/midwives and other allied health professionals have done BLS training in the last 1 year?

Our current data (End of September 2025) indicates that we have an overall compliancy for BLS training of 73% from a staff total of 5,461 within the organisation.

## 4. What percentage of your medical personnel have profession specific Advanced Life Support training?

Medics who have completed ALS/EPALS in the last 4 years.

Total = 95 completed

Current Medics in the Trust (excluding TWS) = 949

Percentage = 10.01%

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

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 (<u>eshtr.foi@nhs.net</u>), 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 Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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