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> > Our Ref: FOI 3057

Thank you for your request concerning the Widening Access to Training Scheme.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

1. How many HPFT staff, both current and former, have made applications for income tax and national insurance refunds via Hertfordshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust under the Widening Access to Training scheme (WATS)?

Can this information be broken down by numbers per year and numbers per academic qualification?

We are unable to provide you with the date of claim or the academic qualification because these details were not recorded at the time<sup>1</sup>. However, to be helpful we have provided you with the total number of claim processed and paid to date.

	Number of WAT Scheme Refunds Processed and paid
2017/18	111

Currently our Learning & Development Team is reviewing eligibility of further 39 claims. In addition there are a number of claims still to be processed.

Should you require further clarification or like to re-apply again in 3 months' time for an update, please do not hesitate to contact me.

<sup>(</sup>b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to him.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 1(1) Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled (a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

Sue Smith

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## **Information Rights Officer**

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click <u>here</u>.

