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Dear

### Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

#### **Requested information:**

I am a first-year medical student participating in a cross-cultural study between the UK and Bulgaria. Other NHS professionals and I and students would like to ask the following questions, so that we can compare this to the training done in Bulgaria, before a Resus council is set up there.

1. Is Basic Life Support course mandatory for the medical professionals working for the Trust? **Yes**
2. How many courses per year does your resus training department deliver?
  - **Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) - 120 per year**
  - **In Hospital Resuscitation (IHR) - 100 per year**
3. What percentage of doctors/nurses/midwives and other allied health professionals have done BLS training in the last 1 year? **80%**
4. What percentage of your medical personnel have profession specific Advanced Life Support training?

**All registered professionals and non-registered professionals working in our in-patient services have Level 3 Resuscitation Training (In Hospital Resuscitation - Immediate).**

**Level 2 – Basic Life Support Staff with direct clinical care responsibilities including all qualified healthcare professionals:**

- **Staff working with Adult patients should undertake training in adult basic life support.**
- **Staff working with Paediatric patients should undertake training in paediatric basic life support.**

- Staff working with Newborn patients should undertake training in newborn basic life support.

**Level 3 – Immediate Life Support Staff with direct clinical care responsibilities including all qualified healthcare professionals: Advanced**

- Registered healthcare professionals with a responsibility to participate as part of the adult resuscitation team should undertake adult immediate life support training.
- Registered healthcare professionals with a responsibility to participate as part of the paediatric resuscitation team should undertake paediatric immediate life support training.
- Registered healthcare professionals with a responsibility to participate as part of the newborn resuscitation team should undertake newborn life support training.
- Registered healthcare professionals involved in administering rapid tranquillisation in the care of patients with disturbed mental functioning should undertake adult immediate life support training.
- Registered healthcare professionals involved in administering sedation in the care of dental or podiatric patients should undertake adult immediate life support training and, where appropriate to case load, paediatric immediate life support training.

**Our trainers and all Doctors (through initial training) have further Advanced Life Support training specific to their roles.**

**We deliver 2 courses of Resus:**

**CPR (Basic Life Support Level 2) - Basic**

**IHR (In Hospital Resus Level 3) – Immediate/advanced**

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Yours sincerely



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