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Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

To whom it may concern,

I'm contacting you to learn more about NHS Wheelchair Services before and after Covid-19. If you could forward my request to your wheelchair service, I would greatly appreciate it.

I understand that some questions might be more subjective rather than factual questions. If it's not possible to answer these questions, feel free to ignore these.

- 1) How many Occupational Therapists worked in your service before March 16, 2020?
- 2) How many Rehab Engineers worked in your wheelchair service before March 16, 2020?
- 3) How many Occupational Therapists are working in your wheelchair service today? (September 29, 2020)
- 4) How many Rehab Engineers are working in your wheelchair service today (September 29, 2020)
- 5) Have you experienced an increase or reduction in graduates applying for positions as OTs or Rehab Engineers to your wheelchair service compared to before March 16, 2020?
- 6) Have you experienced growth or decrease in OTs resigning compared to before March 2020?
- 7) Have you experienced an increase or reduction in Rehab Engineers resigning compared to before March 2020?
- 8) Before March 16, 2020, how did you gain information about what products to prescribe to patients?
- 9) Today September 29, 2020, how do you gain information about what products to prescribe to the patient?
- 10) Does your wheelchair service use more virtual communication today (September 29, 2020) compared to before March 16, 2020?
- 11) Is your service fully operational as before March 16, 2020?
- 12) How does your wheelchair service gain information about new courses and training events?
- 13) Is there a difference in what products you prescribe today (September 29, 2020) compared to before March 16 2020?

We don't provide a Wheelchair service, it is currently managed by Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust.