

Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Wednesday 10th April 2024.
I am pleased to confirm the following.

How many clinical coders are employed by the Trust?

There are 18 clinical coders in the clinical coding team including the manager, deputy manager, team leads, trainer and auditor, ACC qualified and trainee clinical coders.

Who is responsible for the clinical coding Team? (i.e. Who is the Clinical Coding Manager)

MKUH does not give out the names of staff members.

Do you have an NHS England approved auditor?

Yes

Do you have an NHS England approved trainer?

Yes (approved auditor is also the approved trainer)

What encoder software is used by the clinical coding team?

3M Medicode

What directorate does clinical coding sit under?

Performance

What does the Trust spend on external coding support per year a) contractors b) other outsourced coding support c) coding training d) coding audit

There is no outsourced activity and training, and audit is covered in-house. Contractor services have not been utilised for a number of years but in 2023-24 a total of £71,1134 was spent in this area.

What is the current coding backlog?

1456

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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