

***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 September 2019.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

- 1. How many laboratories (please include breakdown of sites/disciplines if possible) are there in your Trust? MKUH Pathology**

One laboratory with Chemical Pathology, Haematology and Blood Transfusion , Microbiology, and Cellular Pathology disciplines.

- 2. What is the headcount of laboratory staff (please include breakdown of sites/departments/roles if possible) in your Trust?**

Please see attachment 1

- 3. How many patient samples or 'reportable laboratory activities' are processed (please include breakdown of sites/departments if possible) by your Trust's laboratories each year (please include the three most recent available years' numbers)?**

Please see attachment 2 and 3

- 4. What number (and percentage) of your Trust's patients have a sample processed in a laboratory as part of their treatment?**

Figures below are based on 2018-19 activity  
Workings and methodology are in the attached file

POD	Count	18-19 Total Activity	%
AE	41,398	88,027	47%
IP	50,221	85,941	58%
OP	72,380	426,401	17%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>163,999</b>	<b>600,369</b>	<b>27%</b>

**5. How many patient samples are taken by your Trust but not processed/analysed by your Trust's laboratory staff? (IE: outsourced)**

As a spoke laboratory we provide the tests appropriate for a general hospital and therefore refer away all specialist testing including cytogenetics testing and Downs screening hence these numbers will be included in the hub laboratories workload figures.

**6. If any, where are outsourced patient samples sent? (please include company names/addresses and number of samples sent each year)**

- Northampton General Hospital
- Sheffield Hospitals
- Oxford John Radcliffe and Churchill Hospitals.

These are the top three referral hospitals , however we have an extensive list of others, well over 50 . All hospitals are available on the UKAS website. All Addresses available on google.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

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

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