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13th December 2024

**Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024. I am pleased to confirm the following.

	Method used (Y/N)	If yes, amount spent
a) Payment to own consultants for additional work outside contracted PAs		
b) Payment directly to another Trust/ NHS provider, or consultants employed by another Trust/ NHS provider for reporting		
c) Payment to a commercial company for reporting		

1. How many whole-time equivalent histopathology consultants (as defined by being on the GMC specialist register for pathology) were employed by the authority at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024:

Number of WTE histopathology consultants	
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2. How many histology cases were reported in the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, overall and by the following sub-specialties

Specialty	Total reported histology cases 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024
Dermatology	
Gastro-intestinal	
Urology	
Gynaecology	
Breast	
Thoracic	

Head and neck	
Other	
Total cases reported	

**4. How many of the total cases given above were reported by:**

	Total reported histology cases 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024
a. consultants (or other medical staff) employed by the authority during their contract Programmed Activities or PAs.	
b. consultants employed by the authority, being paid additional amounts over and above their salary for additional work.	
c. locum consultants working for the authority	
d. external reporting companies. Please provide a total number of cases and the number reported by each of the following:	-
- Unilabs	
- HCA Laboratories including their subsidiary Backlogs	
- Source LD Path (previously Source Bioscience, and LD Path limited)	
- Cellular Pathology Services Limited	
- Diagnexia	
- Digital Pathology Partners	
- Cytel (including their subsidiary Pathognomics)	
- Poundbury Cancer Institute	
- Medica	
External reporting companies total	

**5. How much did the authority spend on each of the following during the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024:**

	Amount spent 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2024
a. consultants (or other medical staff) employed by the authority during their contract Programmed Activities or PAs. (salary plus NI plus pension contribution)	
b. consultants employed by the authority, being paid additional amounts over and above their salary for additional work.	
c. locum consultants working for the authority	

<b>d. external reporting companies. Please provide a total number of cases and the number reported by each of the following:</b>	-
- Unilabs	
- HCA Laboratories including their subsidiary Backlogs	
- Source LD Path (previously Source Bioscience, and LD Path limited)	
- Cellular Pathology Services Limited	
- Diagnexia	
- Digital Pathology Partners	
- Cyted (including their subsidiary Pathgnomics)	
- Poundbury Cancer Institute	
- Medica	
<b>External reporting companies total</b>	

**Please see attached.**

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Yours sincerely

Information Governance Administrator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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