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Freedom of Information Request – Ref: FOI 259-1718

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request about pastoral care. Please find the Trust's response below.

1. Please provide information on whether your NHS Trust currently employ any individuals for the purpose of 'spiritual care' and/or, 'pastoral care' - if applicable, please indicate which denomination each employee belongs to.

We currently have two Spiritual Practitioners.

2. Please list the specific job titles and, salary figures (per annum or pro rota) for each respective individual; detailing which are part-time and full-time roles.

Lead Spiritual Practitioner	Band 7	Part Time
Spiritual Practitioner	Band 5	Full time

3. Please provide details on whether NHS Trust have a specific budget for the purpose of 'spiritual care' or 'pastoral care' and, if so, please detail the total amount (£).

The Trust has a budget of £72,568 for chaplaincy in 2017/18.

Should you have any queries in relation to our response in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request and wish to ask us to review our response, you should write to:-

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Yours sincerely,

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