

Community Dental Service

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Please can you provide the following information for the community dental service(s) provided by your organisation for 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023 unless otherwise stated.

Did your organisation provide a community dental service*?
 Answer: Yes.

*By community dental service we mean a service that provides dental care in community settings to children and vulnerable adults, including elderly and housebound people, people with physical disabilities or mental illness.

- Yes, we did provide a community dental service. Please continue to Question 2.
- No, we did not provide a community dental service. Please provide the name of the organisation that provides this service in your geographical area. You do not need to respond to the remainder of the questions in this FOIA request.
- 2. For each band please enter the relevant number corresponding to the column and row labels.

Answer: Please see table overleaf.

*By WTE we mean 'whole time equivalent'. This is the total hours worked by all dentists divided by average hours worked by a full-time dentist. Please write '0' if there are no staff at a specific band.

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Band	Currently how many dentists are employed by your organisation under Salaried primary dental care terms and conditions:		Currently how many dentist positions are vacant:	Between 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023 how many (headcount):			
	headcount	WTE*	headcount	posts became vacant	vacant posts were advertised	vacant posts were filled. Please do not include partially filled positions	
Band A	3	2.0	1	2	2	2	
Band B	3	1.7	1	0	0	0	
Band C Clinical	1	0.5	1	1	1	0	
Band C Managerial	0	0	0	1	-	1	
Band C Clinical Managerial:	1	1	0	-	-	-	
Other dentist:	0	0	0	-	-	2 — reworked role as could not recruit Band C specialists. Due to start end July 2023	

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Grade	Currently (today), how many dentists are employed on each of the given grades by your organisation on Hospital Medical and Dental Contracts and who perform:				
	Headcount	WTE*			
Dental Core	_				
Trainee	0	-			
(DCT/SHO):					
Specialty	We support for specific areas of training i.e IV				
Trainee (StR)	sedation but do not host a trainee post				
Staff and Associate Specialist grades	2	0.6 (primary care oral surgery service)			
Consultant	As above 2 new community dental consultant posts commencing end July	2			

3. How many courses of treatment has your community dental service(s) provided in the 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023 year?
Answer: Please see table below.

	courses of		
month/year	treatment		
Apr-22	222		
May-22	273		
Jun-22	216		
Jul-22	244		
Aug-22	238		
Sep-22	192		
Oct-22	258		
Nov-22	169		
Dec-22	157		
Jan-23	261		
Feb-23	248		
Mar-23	310		
Grand Total	2788		