

Title: Gynaecology Expertise / Imaging

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

1. *The number of gynaecologists with expertise in (a) diagnosing and managing endometriosis and (b) training and skills in laparoscopic surgery (as defined in NICE guidance* on endometriosis) working within your Trust?*

Answer: Northern Services: 8; Eastern Services: 12.

2. *The number of gynaecology specialist nurses with expertise in endometriosis (as defined in NICE guidance* on endometriosis) working within your Trust?*

Answer: Northern Services: 0; Eastern Services: 1.

3. *The number of healthcare professionals with an interest in gynaecological imaging (as defined in NICE guidance* on endometriosis) working within your Trust?*

Answer: Northern Services: 18; Eastern Services: (Medics) 2 specific for endometriosis, a further 7 who scan. There are 32 sonographers/midwife sonographers/nurse specialist sonographers and 1 Associate Specialist all trained in gynaecology ultrasound.

* *Endometriosis: diagnosis and management, Page 6, section 1.1.3:*
<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng73/resources/endometriosis-diagnosis-and-management-pdf-1837632548293>