

Trust Job Titles / Responsibilities

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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).

The person who holds the job title or responsibility for the following within the Trust :

1. Head / Lead Fetal Surveillance Midwife
2. Head Practice Development Midwife
3. Midwifery Clinical Skills Facilitators
4. Lead Midwife for Continuous Development

The Trust does not release the names of staff below a Director under Section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Personal Information, where disclosure may contravene the Data Protection Act 2018 and therefore applies an exemption under Section 40 (2) - Personal Information of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and Section 10 of the Data Protection Act 2018.

The disclosure of staff names would breach the first data protection principle and fail to meet any of the relevant conditions set out in Schedule 2 of the Data Protection Act (DPA) 2018. The first principle in the DPA requires that disclosure must be fair and lawful, and personal data shall not be processed unless at least one of the conditions in Schedule 2 is satisfied. The staff concerned would not have expected their names to be disclosed in the public domain and so disclosure would not be 'fair' in the manner contemplated by the DPA. Furthermore, disclosure would not satisfy any of the conditions for data processing set out in Schedule 2 of the DPA. We do not consider that there is a legitimate interest in disclosure in this case. There is no public interest in making information about our staff available in this way contrary to what would have been their legitimate expectation at the time the information was gathered.

The Executive Director responsible for Specialist Services is John Palmer, Chief Operating Officer. Please see the Trust Contact Us link on <https://www.royaldevon.nhs.uk/get-in-touch>

Where contact details are given for Trust staff in this response, notice is hereby given, under Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 2018, on behalf of the individual or individuals that this personal information may not be used for the purposes of direct marketing.