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Dear [REDACTED],

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 33675 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding:-

Children Care

Your request is set out below:

1. The name of the hospital and their wards/departments that provide services to 0–17-year-olds

Kent and Medway NHS Trust are an adult mental health service therefore can not provide this data.

2. The number of admissions for 0–17-year-olds
3. A breakdown of the ethnicity, gender, and deprivation percentiles of 0–17-year-olds admitted
4. The number of 0–17-year-olds treated on an adult ward/bed and reason (e.g., patient choice, bed shortages etc.)

I would also like to know for each hospital:

5. Which Directorate(s) does the Play Team(s) sit in?
6. The number of the following roles, salary band, and approximately how many hours do they work per week?

Job Title	Total Number of Staff	Salary Band	Full-Time (40+ hours)	Full Time (32-40 hours)	Part Time (18-31 hours)	Part Time (Less than 18 hours)	Zero Hours Contract
Play Team – Leader/Manager							
Play Team - Health Play Specialist (HPS)							
Play Team -							

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Trust Chair – Dr Jackie Craissati
Chief Executive – Helen Greatorex

Senior HPS							
Play Team - HPS Student							
Play Team - Play Therapist							
Play Team - Play worker or play leader							
Play Team- Bank Staff							
Play Team - Volunteers							
Other Play Staff (please specify)							

7. Does the Play Team lead(s)/manager(s), if you have them, hold a Foundation Degree in Healthcare Play Specialism?
8. If any, how many of your health play specialists are registered with the Healthcare Play Specialist Education Trust (HPSET)?
9. How many hours do your play team typically work during one shift?
10. Which shifts do the Play Team typically work? (Select all that are applicable)

Morning shifts	
Afternoon shifts	
Evening shifts	
Day shifts	
12-hour shifts	
Weekends	

11. Do you have any of the following in each of the specified hospitals? If yes, please specify where these provisions are located (e.g., department/ward name):
 - a. Playful 'non-play team' staff (staff create opportunities for children to play but are not health play specialists nor play workers)
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
 - b. Playrooms or play areas (please specify if these are age-specific)
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
 - c. Toys, games, activities, and play items (please specify if these are age-specific)
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
 - d. Commissioned or voluntary external entertainers who come in occasionally
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
 - e. Starlight provisions (services offered by Starlight)
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
 - f. Other donations for toys and activities
 - i. If yes, where are they located:
12. Is there an annual budget for the delivery of play (e.g., toys, staffing, etc.) in your hospital(s)? If yes, for each individual hospital:
 - a. What is the overall annual budget?
 - b. How much of the budget is for staffing?

- c. How much of the budget is spent on resources and materials for play (e.g., toys)?
13. Is there a budget available for training and development that play staff can access?
- a. If yes, how much is this?
14. Do you have a guidance/policy on how Play should be delivered? If yes, please can you attach a copy of this or a link where it can be accessed

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of
The Information Governance Department