

Dear Radiology Department,

We are looking to gather some benchmarking data around Interventional Radiology services. For the purposes of this data we are including the following areas:

Interventional cardiology,

Neuro-intervention

Vascular Intervention

Non-Vascular Intervention

1-Which interventional procedures does your Trust provide?

yes 1 Vascular interventional Radiology, EVAR, embolisations for haemorrhage

yes 2 Interventional Cardiology, eg coronary stenting and ablations

yes 3 Neuro-vascular intervention, eg stroke thrombectomy

Yes 4 Non vascular intervention, eg nephrostomies, Biliary stenting

2-Are these regional IR services?

Yes - some are

No

3-Is your Trust a Major Trauma centre?

Yes YES

No

4-Which interventional radiology services do you provide a 24 /7-day service for..

.....All services

5-From a radiographic point of view how do you staff these areas, please select all options which apply:

- Radiographers work Soley within the interventional specialty - IR radiographers only work in Intervention excluding cardiology
- Radiographers rotate through several modalities
- A mixture of both the previous options
- Other- please describe

6-Do your radiographers and radiology Nurses contribute to a 24 / 7 Interventional service

- Yes YES
- No

7-How is this 24/7 service provided?

- Shifts- please describe the shift pattern.....

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- On call from home- please describe the frequency and duration of on call sessions

They work their contracted hrs mon-fri 8-6 and then they are on-call from 6pm until 8am from Home. Saturday and Sunday they are on-call 24hrs from home but we are looking to change this very soon as the model is busy and no compensatory rest is given at a weekend.

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- Other- Please describe.....

8-Does your Trust have different on-call teams to cover the interventional specialties or multiple on-call teams?

- single on call team covering numerous interventional specialties YES

multiple on call teams, i.e .one for each specialty

9-Do you have problems recruiting radiographers into these specialties?

Yes YES, we are now needing to recruit from over seas

No

10-How are radiographers paid for their on-call shifts?

paid per standby YES

paid per hour

other- please describe.....

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11-What is the weekday standby rate?

Less than £20 YES approx. £1.50 per hr as per AFC

£20-30

£30-40

£40-50,

greater than £50

12-How are staff paid for any work done during that on-call period? Is there a minimum call out? eg plain time or enhanced rate/ minimum call out of ?hrs- please describe

.....I they are called in they are paid time and a half.

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13-How do you manage compensatory rest for staff called in from home?

.....If after 9pm they get the hr back for the time called in the next day if during the week but not at a weekend.

How do you cover on call rota gaps at short notice due to sickness etc?

Enhanced Rate

Rely on good will YES but we are in the process of changing this for a short period because we are very short of radiographers.

other- please explain

15- Do you have difficulties covering duties at short notice?

Yes YES, staff are tired

No

16- in the last 24 months have there been occasions where you have been unable to provide a service due to unfilled gaps in the rota?

Yes

No, No