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REQUEST & RESPONSE

Please could you provide the following information for your trust for the past three financial years (2022/23, 2023/24, and 2024/25 to date if available):

Oncology Workforce

The total number of whole-time equivalent (WTE) oncology consultants employed.

Oncologist are employed by Clatterbridge therefore MWL are unable to respond.

The number of WTE clinical nurse specialists (CNS) for oncology.

Year	WTE
2022/23	10.60
2023/24	15.20
2024/25	19.72

The number of WTE radiographers supporting oncology services.

The trust systems do not record this information MWL are unable to respond

Vacancy rates for these roles.

Currently only have data for the last 12 months in TRAC as TRAC does not retain vacancy information beyond this period.

In the last 12 months, we have not advertised consultant oncology post so no data available to provide average time taken to fill vacant oncology posts for this staff group.

Average Time taken to fill vacant oncology posts For Specialist Cancer Nurses is 89 days. This is based on NHS England's time to hire metric, from advertising start date to pre-employment checks complete.

