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## Neurology

### **1. Please can you advise, what is the role and function of the neurosciences department in the Belfast Trust?**

The Neurosciences Service at Belfast Trust comprises of three different departments which include Neurology, Neurosurgery and Neurophysiology. Neurosciences is a Regional service. The role and function of the service is to provide assessment and treatment for patients with neurological conditions.

### **2a. Since 2011, how much funding did the neurosciences department receive?**

This information is not held centrally and would require a manual trawl of allocation letters to identify funding which has been allocated to the Neurosciences Department. Belfast Trust is unable to extract this financial information on our systems. This is in part due to the fact that the Belfast Trust changed systems a few years back and does not have access to the historical financial detail. We estimate that it would take in excess of 18 hours of time to carry out the manual trawl of records which would be necessary to obtain this information.

### **2b. How much of that funding was directly/indirectly attributed to the work of Dr. Michael Watt?**

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### **3a. Since 2011, how many research/studies/trials was Dr. Watt a part of, within the neurology/neurosciences departments?**

Belfast Trust does not hold this information. However, it should be possible for you to find all publications through searching publically available databases such as pubmed.com.

### **3b. Please provide a breakdown by start date, study title, end date (where applicable).**

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