

**10 February /2022**

**Subject: Confirmation of Information re Professor Sir Michael McBride and Professor Ian Young re Clinical Excellence Awards and also monetary Awards**

**Questions**

1. Can the Belfast Trust please confirm that Professor Sir Michael McBride, as an employee of the Trust, has been receiving Clinical Excellence Awards since 1 April 2007 and continues to receive such awards?
2. Can the Belfast Trust please confirm that since 2006, Professor Sir Michael McBride, as an employee of the Trust, has ceased to practice in the specialty for which the Clinical Excellence Award was granted and that an agreement between Professor McBride and the Trust was reached in order to protect the full monetary value of the award?
3. Can the Belfast Trust please confirm that since 1 April 2007, Professor Sir Michael McBride, as an employee of the Trust, has received a Clinical Excellence Award, step 10, which carries a monetary value of £46,644 per annum?
4. Can the Belfast Trust please confirm that between 2007 and 2021, Professor Sir Michael McBride, as an employee of the Trust, has received Clinical Excellence Awards of almost £700,000?
5. Can the Belfast Trust please confirm that since 2008 Professor Ian Young has received a Clinical Excellence award, step 11, which carries a monetary value £58,305 per annum?
6. In accordance with the Department of Health 'Guide to the Northern Ireland Clinical Excellence Awards Scheme' procedural document paragraph 3.5, has the Trust informed the local committee and Northern Ireland Clinical Excellence Awards Committee (NICEAC) of the current disciplinary investigation by the GMC into Professor Ian Young?

**Answer**

In accordance with the FOI Act 2000, we cannot fulfill your request, as this information is exempt under Section 40(2) personal information relating to a third party. This is deemed to be personal information about another individual. Disclosure would breach one or more of the principles of the UK GDPR. The FOI Act provides access to Corporate information and not information relating to an individual person.