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Subject: Interpretation and Translation Services for BSL and Deaf Blind

Please provide a breakdown of the below for the years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and Jan - May 2024.

## Q1 BSL/SSE

- a) How many requests have been made to the Trust for BSL/SSE to English interpreters?
- b) How many of these requests were confirmed/fulfilled?
- c) How many were fulfilled by staff and how many by agency staff?
- d) What were the main reasons for an interpreter being unavailable to attend any unfulfilled requests?
- A1 Information not held we do not record data for BSL Interpreting and Translation services centrally as these are booked as required on an ad hoc basis.
- Q2 Deaf Blind
  - a) How many requests have been made to the Trust for deaf blind interpreters?
  - b) How many of these requests were confirmed/fulfilled?
  - c) How many were fulfilled by staff and how many by agency staff?
  - d) What were the main reasons for an interpreter being unavailable to attend any unfulfilled requests?
- A2 Information not held- we do not record data for Deaf Blind Interpreting and Translation services centrally as these are booked as required on an ad hoc basis.
- Q3 Does the Trust employ any BSL/SSE/deaf blind interpreters within the Trust, on a full-time staff basis?
- A3 No.
- Q4 Does the Trust have a contract with a video relay service?
- A4 No.