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Subject: Nursing associates and the number who 'top up' their training to become

registered nurses.

Q1 How many registered [normally band 4] nursing associates does your trust employ? [For example: 20]

A1 10

Q2 In the last 12 months (September 2023-24), how many registered [normally band 4] nursing associates at your trust is your nursing lead (ie: chief nurse or nurse director or most senior nurse) aware of that have applied to do a 'Registered nursing top up' course? [For example: 15]

A2 Six

- Q3 In the last 12 months (September 2023-24), how many registered [normally band 4] nursing associates at your trust have completed a 'Registered nursing top up' course? [For example: 10]
 - a. Of those who have completed the course, how many now work as registered nurses at the trust? [For example: 8]
- A3 One completed.
 - a. One
- How many 'Registered nursing top up' training places did your trust fund in the last 12 months, (September 2023-24) using the apprenticeship levy? [For example: 10]
- A4 Two
- What criteria must a registered [normally band 4] nursing associates meet to qualify for funding for a 'Registered nursing top up' training place from your trust? [For example: 'They need to have worked at the trust for at least one year and completed their nursing associate training under Nursing and Midwifery Council approved curriculum']
- A5 In line with national guidance and apprenticeship funding rules.