

Theatre uniform questionnaire

Your Trusts Name

Your position in the Trust

1. Does your Trust stock theatre head dresses/hijabs for Muslim female staff who require a head dress for theatre? Yes Goto Q2

No

Goto Q4

2. If so, are they lengths of fabric that can be worn as a hijab or orthopaedic caps?

Lengths of fabric Goto Q3

Orthopaedic cap Goto Q5

3. If they are fabric headscarves then please state if they are;

i Purchased from a manufacturer

Which Manufacturer _____

ii Tailor made?

4. If no head dress is available, is there a mechanism in place so that such a specialist uniform can be ordered if required? Yes

No

Nothing formal in place, we will address the situation when it arises.

5. Are abayas available for Muslim female staff attending theatres? An abaya is essentially a full length theatre dress that comes to the ankle instead of mid shin.

Yes

No

Not applicable as all staff in theatre wear trousers as part of the scrub uniform.

4. Does the uniform policy cover such specialist requirements, that is a hijab (head scarf) and abaya (long theatre dress)? If so please copy the clause and paste below.

Yes

No

Policy clause if
"yes" _____

Current policy states the following

3.1 Individuals observing operations and other aseptic procedures will be allowed to wear headscarves as long as they are clean that day and is covered by an orthopaedic hood.

3.2 Individuals observing operations and other aseptic procedures must wear standard theatre blue scrub suits, but may cover the suit with a long sleeved operating gown.

3.3 Individuals observing operations and other aseptic procedures must wear a short sleeved (above elbow) blue scrub top to perform scrub procedure and will then wear a sterile long sleeved gown.

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With reference to your FOI request that was received on 16/09/2013 in connection with 'Theatre uniform, head dresses/hijabs '.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is enclosed

Further information about your rights is also available from the Information Commissioner at:

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I am currently doing some research for the British Medical Journal Careers. The information I am looking for is to do with specialist uniform availability in theatre. I would greatly appreciate it if you could help me with 6 simple questions in the attached questionnaire.

Please find attached completed questionnaire.