

FOI REQUEST NUMBER: 0158

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust (UHB) completed a merger by acquisition of Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust (HEFT) on 1st April 2018. Due to historical differences in data collection/reporting across UHB and the former Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust this response has been provided by hospital site.

Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham

1. How many Tier 2 visas did you apply for in 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Medical and Dental	Non Medical and Dental
2016/2017	28	4 – unrestricted approved
2017/2018	121 (76% of these were repeated applications due to refusals during November 17 to April 18)	4 – unrestricted approved

2. How many Tier 2 visas applications were rejected in 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Medical and Dental	Non Medical and Dental
2016/2017	0	0
2017/2018	91	14 requests (4 posts) for restricted COS declined

3. How much money did your trust spend on applying for Tier 2 visas in the financial years 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Medical and Dental	Non Medical and Dental
2016/2017	£18,988	£800
2017/2018	£49,761	£3500

This represents the actual VISA costs themselves, it would be reasonable to add on an additional overhead for staff time (say 10%).

Heartlands, Good Hope and Solihull

1. How many Tier 2 visas did you apply for in 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Medical and Dental
2016/2017	34
2017/2018	10

Between 2016 and 2018, Heartlands, Good Hope and Solihull applied for 13 Tier 2 visa's for Non Medical and Dental staff.

2. How many Tier 2 visas applications were rejected in 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Medical and Dental	Non Medical and Dental
2016/2017	0	0
2017/2018	4	0

3. How much money did your trust spend on applying for Tier 2 visas in the financial years 2016/17, 2017/18?

Year	Total spend on applying for Tier 2 visas
2016/2017	£10,746
2017/2018	£111,736