









# Workforce Disability Equality Standards 2019/20

The Royal Orthopaedic Hospital

# **Workforce Disability Equality Standard (WDES)**

### **Background**

This is the second year that NHS organisations are required to report on WDES data. The standard was introduce to enable employees with disabilities to have equal access to career opportunities and receive fair treatment in the workplace.

### **WDES Data**

Staff data was collected and submitted to NHS England in August 2020. The data period is 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 and is formulating into ten WDES Indicators.

An additional questions is included for WDES (compared to WRES) around reasonable adjustments for staff members.

All NHS Trusts are required to collate and publish this information on their website.

Table One below shows ROH WDES Performance Data.

In Table One data for Indicators 4-8 is collated from the National Staff Survey (NSS) results which staff completed between  $4^{th}$  October and  $30^{th}$ November 2019.

The WDES action plan will be completed by the end of October 2020 and will form part of the work completed under the ROH Equality and Diversity agenda.

The WDES action plan and approach forms part of the work completed under the ROH Equality and Diversity agenda. The key actions achieved over the last twelve months have included:

- Carer awareness event
- Monthly Disability Forum meeting
- Listening sessions during Covid -19
- Information stand at Health and Wellbeing events

**Table One: Summary of ROH Trust WDES Indicators** 

WDES Indicator	Indicator Definition	ROH NHS Trust		
		2019	2020	Comments
1	% of staff disabled Staff	13.0	10.0	
2	Relative likelihood of disabled staff being appointed from shortlisted candidates compared to non-disabled staff	1.30	1.06	Positive change
3	Relative likelihood of disabled staff entering formal capability	0.0	0.0	
4	% of disabled staff experiencing harassment, bullying or abuse from patients or public in last 12 months	20.8	28.4	Negative change
4a	% of disabled staff experiencing harassment, bullying or abuse from staff in last 12 months	31.3	22.0	Positive change
5	% of disabled staff believing the trust provides equal opportunities for Career progression or promotion	78.1	89.3	Positive change
6	% of disabled staff have felt pressure from their managers to come to work, despite not feeling well enough to perform duties	25.8	26.7	Negative change
7	% of staff saying they are satisfied with the extent to which the organisation values their work	60.4	53.7	Negative change
8	% of disabled staff saying their employer has made adequate adjustment(s) to enable them to carry out their work	75.0	80.9	Positive change
9	The staff engagement score for disabled staff compared to non-disabled staff and the overall engagement score for the organisation	7.2(7.4)	7.4 (7.6)	Positive change







## **WDES Action Plan**

Status key: 5 Complete 4 On track 3 Some delay – expect to completed as planned 2 Significant delay – unlikely to be completed as planned 1 Not yet commenced 0 Objective Revised

Action	Relates to Indicators	Completion date	Comments	Lead	Progress
Disability Confident	1-9	September 2020	Reviewing completion of next level of	Sharon Malhi	_
accreditation			accreditation. Work will support current recruitment project for BAME staff		5
Trust Board Inclusion	9	Ongoing	Following session in September 2020	Sharon Malhi	
updates and awareness				Clare Mair	4
sessions	1.0	Fab	Clauser and grace for this particular	Claus Main	
Development of	1-9	February 2021	Slower progress for this network.	Clare Mair	4
Disability Forum network with formal structure			Impacted by Covid		4
Disability Forum	1-9	September 2020	First event organised by MMEG network	Clare Mair	
participation at Health				Sheeba Mir	5
and Wellbeing Week					
Disability Forum	1-9	October 2020	This project is patient focussed	Clare Mair	
supporting AccessAble				Network	4
project				members	
Actions reviewed and	1-9	November 2020		Clare Mair and	
added to Equality and				action leads	4
Diversity Plan for 2021					
Awareness session to be 1-9		By March 2021	To support increased declaration of	Network	0
run by Disability Forum			disabilities	members	U