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REQUEST

1. Please can you provide data on the number of physician associates (PAs) currently working in your hospitals that are permitted to perform each of the below procedures. Please can you provide the data in an Excel spreadsheet, in a table with the procedure in one column and the number of PAs qualified to perform the procedure in a second column.

- Arterial line insertion
- Central line insertion
- Chest drain
- Intubation
- OesophagoGastroDuodenoscopy (OGD)
- Nerve blocks
- Pleural tap
- Surgical first assisting
- Ring blocks
- Iliofemoral block
- Nasogastric (NG) tube placement
- Ascitic drain
- Ascitic tap
- Joint aspiration
- Lumbar puncture
- Pleural aspiration

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust (STHK) and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust (S&O) became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

Please find information attached.