

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-265

7 June 2022

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we hold some of the information you are requesting

How many Nurses did the Trust recruit internationally in the period 2019-2021?

162

2. Please can the Trust detail the split of these Nurses by specialism / discipline / band?

- Medicine: 72 (includes Acute Medical Unit (AMU), Respiratory, Emergency Department (ED))
- Specialised Services: 12 (includes Oncology and Haematology, Catheter laboratories)
- Surgery: 30 (includes Theatres, Critical Care, Trauma and Orthopaedic)
- Weston: 48 (includes Surgery and Medicine wards)
- All recruited at band 4

3. Please provide the number of international Nurses provided by each supplier in this period?

- Global Learners Programme: 68
- NHS Professionals: 70
- Yeovil: 1
- Hampshire Hospitals NHS FT: 11
- Torbay and South Devon NHS FT: 12

4. What is the spend per supplier for international Nurse recruitment?

- Global Learners Programme x68 £2,999
- NHS Professionals x70 £2,989
- Yeovil x1 = £1,650
- Hampshire Hospitals NHS FT x11 £1,800
- Torbay and South Devon NHS FT x12 £1,500

5. Which framework(s) does the Trust use for international recruitment of Nurses?

Not applicable – we used NHS providers so not drawn from framework.

6. Can the Trust confirm whether the contracts in place were tendered for via a framework mini competition (or direct call-off) or open procedure?

Please see the response to question 5.

7. Per respective tender please confirm the suppliers who applied for inclusion and were / were not successful?

Please see the response to question 5.

8. Could you please provide a copy of the tender specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?

Please see the response to question 5.

9. Start date and duration (including extensions) of any contracts in place for international recruitment services for Nurses?

1st April 2021.

10. Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s) / contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?

Please see the response to question 5.

11. Who is the key procurement contact in procurement and senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for the contract(s)?

Please see the response to question 5.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely

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