

**Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-093**

22 February 2023

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 do hold the information you are requesting

**1. How many RGN/RMN shifts have been filled using an “Off Framework” Agency between December 31st 2022, and February 1st 2023.**

This is commercially sensitive information and will not be shared at an organisational level. Section 43 of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. Therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

**2. Which “Off Framework” Nursing agencies have been used by the Trust between December 31st 2022, and February 1st 2023.**

Thornbury Nursing Services.

**3. A break down of shifts filled by each “Off Framework” agency between December 31st 2022, and February 1st 2023. E.g 3 RMN Shifts and 5 RGN shifts were filled by X agency.**

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**4. The total cost for each individual “Off Framework” nursing agency between December 31st 2022, and February 1st 2023.**

£570,000

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  
Bristol  
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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