

Ref: 23-489

Freedom of Information Request

25 July 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

Please answer all questions with the relevant data for the month of May 2023 (1st to the 31st May 2023) for your nursing – inclusive of Adult, Mental Health, Critical, Community and District where applicable for both frameworks and off frameworks Agencies.

Information requested:

1. The total number and spend of nursing shifts sent to agencies to fill (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately

There is no cost for sending a shift to an agency.

2. The total number and spend of nursing shifts filled by agencies (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately Number of shifts: 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.

On Framework: £1,240,546 Off Framework: £217,884

3. The total number and spend of critical banded nursing (this includes ED, Critical, ITU and HDU) shifts sent to agencies to fill. (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately

There is no cost for sending a shift to an agency.

4. The total number and spend of critical banded nursing shifts filled by agencies. (this includes ED, Critical, ITU and HDU) (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide

these totals separately

Number of shifts: 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.

On Framework: £270,866 Off Framework: £48,220

5. The total number and spend of 'breaches' for filling a shift with agency nurses (Registered Nurses) not within the NHSI capped charge rates.

Number of breaches: 1191

Spend of breaches: We cannot provide this information as our systems cannot break this

information down.

6. Please provide a list of all frameworks agencies that are currently 'breaching' 'breaches' when filling a shift with agency nurses (Registered Nurses) not within the NHSI capped charge rates.

Allied And Clinical Recruitments Ltd

Bluestones Medical Recruitment Ltd

Cromwell Medical Staffing Ltd

Day Webster Ltd

Daytime Healthcare Recruitment Ltd

Direct Healthcare 24 Ltd

Europeanbiz Limited t/a Europeanbiz Healthcare

Id Medical Group Ltd

Imc Locums Ltd

M Recruitment Ltd

Med Pure Limited

Medecho Ltd

MedicsPro Ltd

Minerva Nursing Ltd

Next Step Nursing Ltd

Nothing But Recruitment Ltd t/a Nothing But Healthcare

Pulse Healthcare Ltd

Retinue Solutions Ltd

Swiis (Uk) Ltd

Temporary Staffing Agency Tsa Ltd

Urgent Staffing Ltd

Vivid Healthcare

Your Nurse Ltd

Your World Recruitment Ltd

7. Please provide a list of all frameworks agencies which supply the trust with nursing staff.

Please see the attached document.

8. Please provide a list of off framework agencies which have supplied (from 1st May to 31st May 2023) into the trust with nursing staff across all sites.

Thornbury Nursing Services Medgen

9. From 1st May to 31st May 2023, please list the wards/ departments you have requested shifts for off framework agencies.

Please see the attached document.

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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