

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-635

24 August 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. Neutral Vend (NV) or Master Vend (MV) Agency Supplier:

i. Medical

- Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

NV Litmus

- Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier?

August 2025

ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

- Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

NV Retinue

- Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

1st April 2024

iii. Nursing

- Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

NV Retinue

- Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

1st April 2024

iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

- Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

NV Retinue

- Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

1st April 2024

2. Direct Engagement (DE):

i. Medical

- Name of the DE provider

Litmus

- Expiry date of contract with the DE provider

August 2025

- % of DE currently achieved

72%

ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

- Name of the DE provider

Not applicable

- Expiry date of contract with the DE provider

Not applicable

- % of DE currently achieved

Not applicable

iii. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

Not applicable

- Name of the DE provider

Not applicable

- Expiry date of contract with the DE provider

Not applicable

- % of DE currently achieved

Not applicable

3. Financial Year 2022/2023 - spend figures on temporary agency staffing – (worker pay & agency commission only):

i. Medical

ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

iii. Nursing

iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

We are able to obtain this information however we have decided to apply Section 21 of the FOIA as this information is reasonably accessible in the public domain on the Trust's website on the following link:

https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/assets/1/final_uhbw_annual_report_and_accounts_2022-23_for_parliament.pdf

Section 21 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to provide the requested information if it is already reasonably accessible and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

4. Financial Year 2022/2023 - number of hours worked by temporary agency workers:

i. Medical

ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

iii. Nursing

iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

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.

5. Contact responsible for temporary agency staffing at the Trust:

i. Workforce Lead

- **Name** Alexandra Rossiter
- **Job Title** Head of temporary staffing

ii. Procurement Lead

- **Name** Peter Russell
- **Job Title** Head of Resourcing

iii. Finance Lead

- **Name** Kate Herrick
- **Job Title** Head of Finance

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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