

## **Freedom of Information Request**

**Ref: 23-821**

29 November 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. Please confirm how many shifts were sent out for agencies to fill (per month), for Band 5 and Band 2 (nursing staff) between July 2022 and June 2023?**

Band 2: 2879

Band 5: 72992

**2. Please confirm how many of these shifts were filled by agencies per month for the same timespan as detailed in Q1. (Please can this be broken down per agency)**

|                    | Retinue |        | Retinue Total | Thornbury |        | Thornbury Total |
|--------------------|---------|--------|---------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|
|                    | Band 2  | Band 5 |               | Band 2    | Band 5 |                 |
| <b>2022</b>        | 721     | 14499  | 15220         | 1         | 4686   | 4687            |
| <b>July</b>        | 205     | 2404   | 2609          |           | 1062   | 1062            |
| <b>August</b>      | 182     | 2193   | 2375          |           | 1023   | 1023            |
| <b>September</b>   | 111     | 2151   | 2262          |           | 788    | 788             |
| <b>October</b>     | 144     | 2458   | 2602          |           | 692    | 692             |
| <b>November</b>    | 43      | 2698   | 2741          | 1         | 515    | 516             |
| <b>December</b>    | 36      | 2595   | 2631          |           | 606    | 606             |
| <b>2023</b>        | 27      | 16372  | 16399         |           | 2433   | 2433            |
| <b>January</b>     | 23      | 2690   | 2713          |           | 653    | 653             |
| <b>February</b>    | 2       | 2605   | 2607          |           | 520    | 520             |
| <b>March</b>       | 2       | 2870   | 2872          |           | 567    | 567             |
| <b>April</b>       |         | 2699   | 2699          |           | 236    | 236             |
| <b>May</b>         |         | 2688   | 2688          |           | 227    | 227             |
| <b>June</b>        |         | 2820   | 2820          |           | 230    | 230             |
| <b>Grand Total</b> | 748     | 30871  | 31619         | 1         | 7119   | 7120            |

**3. Where there is a Tiered structure of agency suppliers, please can you confirm how**

**many shifts per month were filled by each 'Tier' of supplier used.**

|                    | Retinue |      | Retinue Total | Thornbury | Thornbury Total |
|--------------------|---------|------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
|                    | 1       | 3    |               | 4         |                 |
| <b>2022</b>        | 14782   | 438  | 15220         | 4687      | 4687            |
| <b>July</b>        | 2605    | 4    | 2609          | 1062      | 1062            |
| <b>August</b>      | 2373    | 2    | 2375          | 1023      | 1023            |
| <b>September</b>   | 2257    | 5    | 2262          | 788       | 788             |
| <b>October</b>     | 2598    | 4    | 2602          | 692       | 692             |
| <b>November</b>    | 2613    | 128  | 2741          | 516       | 516             |
| <b>December</b>    | 2336    | 295  | 2631          | 606       | 606             |
| <b>2023</b>        | 15020   | 1379 | 16399         | 2433      | 2433            |
| <b>January</b>     | 2405    | 308  | 2713          | 653       | 653             |
| <b>February</b>    | 2315    | 292  | 2607          | 520       | 520             |
| <b>March</b>       | 2625    | 247  | 2872          | 567       | 567             |
| <b>April</b>       | 2499    | 200  | 2699          | 236       | 236             |
| <b>May</b>         | 2508    | 180  | 2688          | 227       | 227             |
| <b>June</b>        | 2668    | 152  | 2820          | 230       | 230             |
| <b>Grand Total</b> | 29802   | 1817 | 31619         | 7120      | 7120            |

**4. Between July 2022 and June 2023, what was the trust spend per month, for each agency supplier?**

Please see the attached document.

**5. Please confirm the average charge rate across this 12 month period for a Band 5 General nurse.**

£66.91

**6. Please confirm Total off-framework spend across the period July 2022 to June 2023. Can this also be broken down per month.**

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  
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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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