

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 20-293

7 December 2020

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 the information you are requesting

1. Does the organisation use a third party to provide a Direct Engagement (DE) Solution?

In Bristol no, in Weston Hospital yes

2. Please state the name of the Direct Engagement supplier - Liaison

3. Please state all staffing groups that are managed via your direct engagement provider

Medical staff at Weston Hospital

4. Please state the start date of the contract with the DE supplier (month/year)

June 2019

5. Please state the end date of the contract with the DE supplier (month/year)

June 2021

6. What was the annual cost to the organisation for the provision of the direct engagement service in 19/20?

Liaison agency commission direct engagement costs to Weston for 19/20 were £184,437 – (this is exclusive of VAT)

7. Did the organisation procure these services via a framework? If so, please provide the full name of the framework

not known

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:

Director of Corporate Governance
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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