

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-096

28 February 2022

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: Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving Biomedical Science/Pathology agency usage at University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHSFT?

We do not use Agency in these areas

2: Who are the managers responsible for agency approval for Pathology/Laboratory agency usage (on and off framework) for the following departments at all hospitals associated with the Trust:

- Blood Sciences (Haematology, Biochemistry, and Blood Transfusion):
- Infectious Sciences (Microbiology, Virology, Molecular, Serology, COVID):
- Cellular Pathology

Not applicable

3: Please provide the contact numbers and email addresses in relation to question 1 and 2.

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4: Have you used off-framework agency staff for Biomedical Science/Pathology between January 2021 and January 2022?

Not applicable

5: How much was your off-framework agency spend for each of the following departments between January 2021 and January 2022:

(a) Blood Sciences (Haematology, Biochemistry and Blood Transfusion):

(b) Infectious Sciences (Microbiology, Virology, Molecular, Serology, COVID):

(c) Cellular Pathology

Not applicable

6: How many roles were filled by off-framework agency workers between January 2021 and January 2022 for each of the departments outlined in question 5?

Not applicable

7: How many unfilled roles did you have between January 2021 and January 2022 for each of the departments outlined in question 5?

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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
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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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