

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-259

31 May 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 hold some of the information you are requesting

1) Please could you confirm the names of the top 5 locum agencies you have the most spend with within AHP/HSS there at the trust from the calendar year of 2021?

Maxxima

Globe

Your world

Sanctuary

RIG Medical Recruit

2. Please could you state the utilisation rate for each agency that has been achieved? This should amount to the total value of AHP locum spend supplied by each agency during the 2021 calendar year as a percentage of total AHP locum spend in the same period.

We use a neutral vendor which invoices on behalf of the agencies used, therefore we cannot provide the 'utilisation rate' by agency from our systems.

3) Please can you breakdown the total spend on AHP/HSS agency staff during the calendar year of 2021?

Agency physiotherapist	8,941
Agency other AHP	744,042
Agency psychologist	10,600
Agency other HCST	207,538

4) Please can break down the total spend on AHP/HSS agency staffing during the calendar year 2021 for the specialisms below:

AHP	Spend
Sonographers	
Radiographers	
Radiotherapists	
Clinical Physiologists	
Physiotherapists	
Occupational Therapists	
Speech and Language Therapists	
Audiologists	
Dieticians	
Podiatrists	
Clinical Psychologists	
Theatre Practitioners	
HSS	Spend
Biomedical Scientists	
Mortuary/Pathology Technicians	
Pharmacy Services Staff	
Othoptists & Optometrists	

Our systems can only supply this data as below.*

Radiography	273,402
Cardiac perfusion	207,538
Ultrasound	123,711
Cardiac physiology	104,849
Sleep	99,533
Audiology	77,235
Radiotherapy	23,655
Physiotherapy	8,725
Other	52,474

*Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12

of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

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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