

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-740

29 October 2024

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. During the period between 1st April 2024 and 31st August 2024, how many external consultants were contracted by the Trust and what were their job roles (for example Software Developer, Agency Cost Reduction Program Director, Service Efficiency Lead etc.)? (For clarity, I'm referring to individuals, not Whole Time Equivalent (WTE) numbers).

One, HR Consultant

One, Consultant Surgeon

2. Please list the Job Title / Role, pay type (Umbrella / PSC etc.), rate type (day rate, hourly) of any contractors / consultants engaged with the Trust at any time during April, May, June, July and August 2024. Please use the template below and include a one line description of the core purpose of the role (responsibilities / objectives), and whether the role pertains to the Trust only, or to a wider ICB project.

Job Title / Role	Pay Type (i.e. Umbrella, PSC etc.)	Rate Type (i.e. Daily or Hourly)	Trust or ICB	Core Responsibility / Objective(s)
HR Consultant	PSC	Hourly	Trust	Support for restructure
Consultant Surgeon	Not known	Hourly	Trust	Educational support

3. For each job role, what was the average cost invoiced to the Trust, per day, per contractor, between 1st April 2024 and 31st 2024.

HR Consultant: approximately £99 per day

Consultant Surgeon: Approximately £2,900 per day

4. For each of the job roles, what is the average tenure of those who were engaged at

any time during 1st April 2024 and 31st August 2024. If they are still in post, please detail their start date and earliest anticipated end date.

HR Consultant: Five months – 22 May – 31st October 2024

Consultant Surgeon: Two days

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
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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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