

Ref: 25-380

Freedom of Information Request

9 June 2025

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

Under the freedom of information act, please can you provide me with a breakdown of spend on agency nurses between Jan1 First to Dec 31st, 2024. And Jan 1st 2025 to April 30th 2025.

- Number of shifts invoiced by each provider the Trust used for agency nursing
 This is commercially sensitive information and will not be shared at an organisational level.

 Section 43 of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. Therefore we are withholding this information at this time.
- Framework spend on agency nursing broken down to spend per Framework provider Please see our response in the attached document. Our healthroster data doesn't provide the framework provider since we switched to a new neutral vendor. 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.
- Off-framework spend on agency nursing broken down to spend per off-framework provider

Please see our response in the attached document. The provider is Thornbury Nursing Services.

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
BS1 3NU

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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