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Dear

Sent via email

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 48027 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Medical temporary staffing supply and associated spend

Your request is set out below:

Medical temporary staffing supply

Do you manage your Medical Workforce Bank Internally?

Yes

2. If Yes to the question above, do you manage your Medical workforce bank internally using specialist bank technology e.g. Patchwork, NHS Professionals, Locums Nest, Liaison, Allocate? Please specify which one?

No

If Yes to the above questions is it actively used?

N/A

3. Do you outsource the management of your Medical workforce bank?

No

4. If Yes to the above question, can you confirm the supplier managing it for you?

N/A

5. Do you use Direct Engagement?

No

6. If Yes to the above question, can you confirm the supplier managing it for you? And can you specify the staff groups and if it is bank or agency?

N/A

7. What is your total Bank and agency hours for the Financial Year 2023/2024?

The Trust does not report in hours and instead utilises WTE (whole time equivalent).

The agency information we hold is shown below -

	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24
Agency WTE	14.87	16.23	17.14	17.14	15.8	14.4	13.7	13.9	13.8	15.15	15.59	13.35

The information requested in relation to total bank hours is not held centrally and is contained within individual records which cannot be extracted as a standalone piece of data. In order to extract the requested information and collate the results would require a manual exercise and would exceed the appropriate time limits, as per the Freedom of Information Act 2000 section 12(1) which does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

8. Does your Trust have any doctors that work on the bank via a LTD company?

No

Associated costs - Medical

9. Please confirm the charges that you pay to your technology provider for use of their system. e.g. Patchwork, NHS Professionals, Locums Nest, Liaison, Allocate? (in the last Financial Year 2023/2024)

N/A

10. Can you confirm how you are charged eg per hour, fixed fee, percentage? And what the fees are?

N/A

11. Please confirm the charges you pay your managed service provider for Medical Workforce? e.g. Patchwork, NHS Professionals, Locums Nest, Liaison, Allocate? (if applicable, in the last Financial Year 2023/2024)

N/A

12. Can you confirm how you are charged for managed service? eg per hour, fixed fee or percentage?

N/A

13. Please confirm the roster system provider used for your medical workforce? Eg Liaison, RL Datix etc

DRS

14. Please confirm charges that you pay to your technology provider for Direct Engagement? Eg per hour fixed fee, percentage

N/A

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of The Information Governance Department