

NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust

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Dear

Sent via email

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 46751 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Agency Nurse, Locum Dr Spend & Other Agency Spend 2021-2024

Your request is set out below:

Could you please break down your spend on agency staff and locum doctors over the past three financial years (2023-24, 2022-23, 2021-22)?

Please could you split the spend up into:

- Agency & locum nurses
- Agency & locum doctors
- Other agency staff (not doctors or nurses)

If it is possible to access data from later this year (from April 2024 onwards), then please do also include spend up to the most recent month you have (and please share it by month).

				Apr-24-
Staff Group	21/22	22/23	23/24	Oct'24
Nursing	3,697,729	3,935,138	3,812,446	1,969,737
Medical	3,225,783	3,021,856	3,929,991	1,898,423
Other	612,998	1,076,856	597,910	290,361
Total agency				
spend	7,536,511	8,033,849	8,340,347	4,158,520

Please note a key area of focus for KMPT is increasing the numbers of permanent staff, and reducing the number of agency staff we use, across all our services. We only use bank or agency healthcare staff where needed to cover vacant positions, or where there is a need to increase staffing levels to maintain the safety of our service users (for example if we need to put a specialist package of care in place which would involve a larger team than normal).

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