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Dear [REDACTED]

### **Request for Information**

I write further to your request FOI ID 43495 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Agency Nurse and Healthcare Staff Spend

Your request is set out below:

1. The total (£) spent by the trust on agency nurses and healthcare staff in April 2023 - April 2024?

**£4,122,742.26 this figure also includes healthcare assistants.**

2. Of the amount spent above, how much was the total (£) spent within Mental Health services?

**The Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust are commissioned to provide the adult mental healthcare and treatment for the Kent and Medway area therefore, all of the above spend was within mental health services.**

3. Which agencies have the highest agency spend for temporary nurses?

**The top 5 agencies, ranked by total spend on nursing staff were –**

<b>TFS Healthcare</b>
<b>Athona Ltd</b>
<b>Meditemp Limited</b>
<b>Altrix Technology Ltd</b>
<b>Amida Healthcare Ltd</b>

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Chief Executive – Sheila Stenson

4. What is the current model for dealing with agency staff, such as NHSP / temporary staffing or other such as master or neutral vendor?

**The Trust has a contract in place with NHSP.**

5. If the Trust does have a master or neutral vendor agreement in place for the supply of qualified nursing, when does this end?

**The contract with NHSP expires on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.**

6. The total off framework agency spend on temporary nurses and healthcare assistant staff in April 2023 - April 2024

**All nursing agency spend is via NHSP and therefore on framework.**

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