



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-653

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Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 10th February 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Off-Framework usage.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

**Q1 Does your Trust utilise off-framework agencies for Nursing or Care, if so which agencies?**

A1 We do not routinely engage with Off Framework agencies

**Q2 How many hours have been covered by off-framework agencies for Nursing and Care AUG 22-PRESENT?**

A2 36 hours in October 2022 only

**Q3 Who at Director level is responsible for patient safety and staffing levels?**

A3 See below:

Medical and Dental Staff – Dr Matthew Lewis, Medical Director  
Nursing, Midwifery and AHP Workforce – Ann-Marie Riley, Chief Nurse

Executive Directors have oversight as part of their Board roles

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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