



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-417

Date: 19th December 2023

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 29th September 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Agency

On the same day, we contacted you via email as in order to continue with your request we require clarification on: does Q4 relate to B5 and Band 2 nursing as Q1?

On 3rd October 2023 you replied via email with:

'Thanks for your message. I can confirm that Q4 does relate to Band 5 and Band 2 nursing staff.'

As of 1st 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 Please confirm how many shifts were sent out for agencies to fill (per month), for Band 5 and Band 2 (nursing staff) between July 2022 and June 2023?

A1 Totals below are for the 12 month period

Band 2 = 0
Band 5 = 19324

Q2 Please confirm how many of these shifts were filled by agencies per month for the same timespan as detailed in Q1. (Please can this be broken down per agency)

A2 Agency filled for the 12 month period 10648

Ability	1
Brindley Medical	27
CareProviders healthcare	2
DRC LOCUMS	1216
DW care providers	1614
ID Medical	1035
Just Nurses	1
Locum Vision	14
Medacs Healthcare	2625
MEDICAL STAFFING	120

Merco Medical Staffing	156
MS Day Webster	1
MS Medacs Healthcare	231
MSL Healthcare	27
National Locums	7
NISI Staffing	12
Pertemps Medical Professionals	64
Pulse	317
Sirona Medical	30
TXM agency	9
Urgent Staffing Ltd	182
YOUR WORLD HEALTHCARE	980

Q3 Where there is a Tiered structure of agency suppliers, please can you confirm how many shifts per month were filled by each 'Tier' of supplier used.

A3 We don't have a Teir, the shifts go to the master vend and then to all other agencies via the vend

Q4 Between July 2022 and June 2023, what was the Trust spend per month, for each agency supplier?

A4 Here is the total of net invoices/credits posted to the I&E for the nurses by supplier for the period M4 22/23 to M3 23/24:

Customer/Supplier name	Total
1ST CALL MOBILITY	385.00
BLUESTONES MEDICAL RECRUITMENT LTD	2,898.27
DAYWEBSTER	2,780,361.64
DRC LOCUMS LTD	190,642.98
FRESH MEDICAL RECRUITMENT	284.11
ID MEDICAL GROUP LIMITED	568,844.76
KINGDOM MEDICAL	13,560.21
MACLEAN CONSULTANCY LTD	82,095.00
MEDACS HEALTHCARE SERVICES PLC	1,056,600.50
MEDICSPRO	-644.29
MERCO RECRUITMENT LTD	280,312.90
MIDLANDS PARTNERSHIP NHS FT	26,097.98
MSL HEALTHCARE	15,327.30
NATIONAL LOCUMS	5,134.30
NEXTSTEP NURSING	12,282.16
PROMETHEUS SAFE AND SECURE LTD	4,372.75

TRUST NURSE SERVICES LIMITED	1,201.55
TXM HEALTHCARE LTD	12,470.89
URGENT STAFFING GROUP	33,957.01
Grand Total	5,086,185.02

Q5 Please confirm the average charge rate across this 12 month period for a Band 5 General nurse.

A5 We cannot confirm average as we don't hold this information on the system

Q6 Please confirm Total off-framework spend across the period July 2022 to June 2023. Can this also be broken down per month.

A6 Not applicable

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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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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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

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Yours,



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