



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-878

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 21st March 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding shifts

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 From 1st January 2024 until 10th March 2024 how many shifts has your Trust or Health Board utilised agency for in paediatrics or midwifery- please break this down by ward and agency. This can be for both on and off framework agencies. Please also break this down by month- ie January 100 shifts, February 80 shifts etc**

A1 We have not used any agency PN or Midwives between these dates

**Q2 Within this same time frame (1st January 2024 until 10 March 2024) please list any agencies charging above £45 per hour on day rate for paediatrics and midwifery.**

A2 Not applicable

**Q3 Within this same time frame (1st January 2024 until 10th March 2024) please list all other off contract agencies utilised by the Trust or Health Board for nursing and break down a list of each ward or department and total number of shifts for each off contract agency.**

A3 Refer to the attached spreadsheet

\*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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