



Ref: FOIA Reference 2021/22-472

Date: 21st December 2021

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 14th December 2021 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding AHP agency usage.

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 1. (a) Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving AHP agency usage? (b) Secondly, who is the temporary / flexible staffing lead responsible for the management of this service?

A1 See below:

1a) There is no Head of Procurement responsible for approving agency usage within the Trust. The Procurement lead commercially responsible for the AHP/HSS contract is Joanne Roberts – Deputy Director of Procurement

1b) There is no central temporary staffing lead for the management of this service within the Trust

Q2 Please can you provide the contact number and email address in relation to both question 1 (a) & (b)

A2 See below

1a) Joanne.roberts@uhnm.nhs.uk 01782 672048

1b) There is no Trust central contact

Q3 Have you used Off-framework Allied Health agency staff between January 2021- December 2021?

A3 No

Q4 How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between January 2021 – December 2021: (a) Physiotherapy (b) Occupational Therapy (c) Pharmacy (d) Radiography

A4 None

Q5 Following the same breakdown of staff groups in Question 4, how many Off-framework posts have been unfilled between January 2021 – December 2021?

A5 No off framework has been used

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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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