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Response Due: 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

**I would like to request the below information from the trust for year 2021/2022.**

**1. What was your agency spend for nursing and midwifery for the year April 2021- April 2022?**

£1.7m (April to February)

**2. How much of the spend was above the NHSI rate caps April 2021- April 2022?**

Between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 the Trust reported agency expenditure of £2,679k above the NHSI agency ceiling.

**3. Have you used off-framework in the last 6 months?**

Yes

**4. If so, what was the total spend?**

£36k

**5. Which off-framework agencies have you used?**

Vivid Resource Ltd.

**6. How many unfilled shifts have you had for:**

- A&E
- ITU

- General
- Theatres
- Mental Health
- CPN
- Midwifery
- Paediatrics
- Neonatal
- HCA

We are unable to provide this level of detail, please see our response to question 7 below.

**7. If this cannot be provided via speciality, please could I have an over-all number?**

In February 2022 there were 927 6-hour shifts that were not filled.

**8. How many vacancies do you have for band 5/6 nurses in the following areas?**

- A&E – 7.56 WTE
- ITU – 4.64 WTE
- General – 116.9 WTE (includes Band 5 and 6 nursing vacancies within the Community Division)
- Theatres – 20 WTE
- Mental Health – N/A
- CPN – N/A
- Midwifery – 12 WTE
- Paediatrics – 3 WTE
- Neonatal - Nil
- HCA – Not registered posts and therefore not submitted

**9. How many incident/critical incidents have been declared as a result of staffing?**

No critical incidents have been declared relating to nursing/midwifery levels.

**10. Who is the nurse bank/temporary staffing manager?**

There is not a dedicated Nurse Bank/ Temporary Staff Manager.

**11. What are the contact details for the Nurse Bank / Temporary Staffing Manager?**

The Trust does not routinely give out email addresses and direct telephone numbers of staff members, as large numbers of unsolicited emails/telephone calls, could cause disruption by blocking email accounts/telephone lines thus preventing true work-related emails/calls from being delivered. However, any of the above staff can be contacted via main switchboard on 01942 244000.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Boyle', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ian Boyle  
Chief Finance Officer

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