

NHS Foundation Trust

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Date Received: 23rd April 2025

Response Due: 22nd May 2025

Date: 7th May 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 23rd April 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

1. In the period 1st December 2024 – 1st March 2025 what is your "on" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for AHP / HSS Please break down per month.

	On Framework Agency Hours	On Framework Agency Cost
December 2024	757	£26,551
January 2025	834	£29.915
February 2025	906	£32,321

- 2. In the period 1st December 2024 1st March 2025 what is your "Off" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for AHP/HSS? Please break down per month. No off-framework usage.
 - a. Please provide a further breakdown by: spend per grade and spend per agency name. No off-framework usage.
- 3. Do you have an in-house temporary staffing team to manage your agency requests OR is this outsourced to a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor provider? if outsourced, what is the name of the company?

Outsourced - NHS Professionals.

4. If outsourced, what was the start date and expiry date of the contract with this provider?

March 2022 – March 2026.

- 5. What is your current Bank staff fill rate for AHP/HSS? 42%.
- 6. What is your current Agency fill rate for AHP/HSS? 33%.
- 7. How many agencies are currently supplying the Trust with AHP/HSS staff and what are their names?
 - Globe Locums Limited.
 - Medicure Professionals.
 - RIG Healthcare.
 - Blackstone Recruitment Lt.
 - Your World Recruitment.
- 8. Who is head of your procurement or temporary staffing team responsible for approving framework agencies who are wishing to join your preferred supplier list and what are their contact details?

NHS Professionals.

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If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

Tabitha Gardner Chief Finance Officer

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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

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The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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