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Ref: FOI/2025/10710

Date Received: 28th April 2025

Response Due: 28th May 2025

Date: 7th May 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 28th 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. Please provide the "On" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of doctors/Nursing/AHP/HSS recruited through Agency for fixed term and Permanent positions during the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st March 2025.**
The Trust does not use agency to recruit substantive or fixed term doctors, nurses, AHP or HSS.
- 2. Please provide the "Off" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of doctors/Nursing/AHP/HSS recruited through Agency for fixed term and Permanent positions during the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st March 2025.**
The Trust does not use agency to recruit substantive or fixed term doctors, nurses, AHP or HSS.
- 3. Does your organization have an in-house Recruitment team to manage permanent requests, or is this outsourced to a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor provider? If outsourced, please provide the name of the company.**
Individuals are recruited directly, therefore there is no set recruitment team.
- 4. If the recruitment services are outsourced, what was the start date and expiry date of the contract with this provider?**
N/A.
- 5. How many agencies are currently supplying the Trust for doctors'/AHP/HSS/Nursing fixed term and Permanent recruitment, and what are their names?**
N/A.

6. Who is the head of your procurement or Recruitment team responsible for approving framework agencies wishing to join your preferred supplier list? Please provide their contact details.

Elaine Middleton, Head of Medical Workforce.

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.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JT' with a small dot to the right.

Juliette Tait
Chief People Officer

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.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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