

Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Date Received: 1st August 2025

Response Due: 1st September 2025

Date: 15th August 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 1st August 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:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information relating to temporary staffing within the trust, covering the following staff groups:

- **Community Psychiatric Nurses (CPNs)** = No spend.
- **Registered Mental Health Nurses (RMNs)** = No spend.
- **Registered General Nurses (RGNs)** = Information below – RN00.
- **Occupational Therapists (OTs)** = No spend.
- **Pharmacists** = Information below – PAH00 and PASP00.

1 – Agency Spend

Please provide the total agency spend for the last full financial year (or the most recent available 12-month period) for each of the above staff groups.

RN00 = £162,804.89.

PAH00 = £114,904.86.

PASP00 = £50,572.82.

The above information is based on the period of 1st August 2024 to 1st August 2025.

2 – Agency Hourly Charge Rates

For each staff group, please provide the following:

- **The average hourly charge rate paid to agencies**
RN00 = £29.63.
PAH00 = £40.71.

PASP00 = £29.89.

- **The highest hourly charge rate paid**

RN00 = £30.53.

PAH00 = £40.91.

PASP00 = £29.93.

- **The lowest hourly charge rate paid**

RN00 = £29.08.

PAH00 = £40.91

PASP00 = £40.60.

3 – Agency Supply and PSL Structure

a. Please list the recruitment agencies currently supplying the Trust for these staff groups.

Please see the below list.

b. Please confirm which agencies are on your Preferred Supplier List (PSL).

Please see the below list.

c. Please outline how your PSL operates, including:

- **Whether it is tiered** = No tiering.
- **Which agencies are on which tiers** = 1 tier, all the below agencies are on tier 1.

Atlantis Medical.

Blackstone Recruitment.

Globe Locums.

HCRG Staffing.

IMC Locums.

Liquid Personnel.

MSI Recruitment.

Maxxima.

Medacs HC.

Medicare Professional.

Medilink Consulting.

Pertemps Recruitment.

Piers Meadows.

Pulse.

Quality Locums Solutions/ENS Recruitment.

Rig Locums.

Sensible Staffing.

The Placement Group.

Tripod.

Your World Recruitment.

4 – Breakdown of Agency Spend and Hours Worked

For each recruitment agency supplying staff, please provide:

- **The total spend with that agency in the last full financial year (or most recent 12-month period)**
Please see the table below.
- **The total number of hours worked by agency staff from that supplier during the same period**
Please see the table below.

Staff Group	Agency	Actual Worked Hours	Total Cost
PAH00	Blackstone Recruitment	527.5	£22,390.90
	Globe Locums Limited	2,147.67	£89,468.86
	Total Assist Recruitment	75	£3,045.10
PAS00	Aspect Healthcare	252.67	£7,524.45
	HCRG TFS Limited	122	£3,633.16
	Medicure Professionals	907.75	£29,415.21
RN00	First Point	1,030	£29,950.32
	Locum Vision	1,455	£43,491.72
	Your World Recruitment	2,985.2	£89,362.85

5 – Bank Staffing

a. Please provide the total spend on internal bank staff for the last full financial year, broken down by the above staff groups.

b. Please provide the average hourly rate paid to bank workers in each group.

No internal bank.

6 – Internal Temporary Staffing Team

Please confirm the annual cost of running the internal temporary staffing/recruitment team, including salaries, overheads, and any relevant platform/technology costs.

The Trust does not have an internal temporary staffing team.

7 – NHSP Spend

Please confirm the total spend with NHS Professionals (NHSP) for the last full financial year (or most recent 12 months).

OTSP00 (NHSP supplier) = £4,202.40.

RN00 (Nursing & Midwifery) = £3,432,537.81.

7 – Staff Bank Contact Details

Please confirm the email address and name of the individual responsible for onboarding framework agencies providing cost saving solutions.

The Trust does not have an internal temporary staffing team

Please note: Your questions have been answered with assistance from NHS Professionals.

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

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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111