

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

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Ref: FOI/2025/11000

Date Received: 11th August 2025

Response Due: 9th September 2025

Date: 2nd September 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 11th 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:

I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide the following details for your Trust:

A breakdown of monthly spend on agency staff, distinguishing between:

1. Agency staff engaged via NHS-approved frameworks ("on framework")

Month/Year	Medical & Dental
Aug-24	£535,923.25
Sep-24	£674,340.95
Oct-24	£486,977.49
Nov-24	£495,290.81
Dec-24	£491,733.25
Jan-25	£443,424.59
Feb-25	£485,189.07
Mar-25	£521,547.38
Apr-25	£413,745.77
May-25	£395,661.98
Jun-25	£509,765.87
Jul-25	£464,456.98

Information regarding other agency staffing groups is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act as it is reasonably accessible to you, I am pleased to inform you that you can access it via the following link: https://www.wwl.nhs.uk/what-we-spend-and-how-we-spend-it under "Agency Staff costs". July 2025's data will be updated in due course.

2. Agency staff engaged via agencies not on frameworks ("off framework")
No off-framework usage.

For each category above (on and off framework):

3. The types of staff procured through agencies (e.g., nurses, doctors, allied health professionals, admin, etc.)

Please see the above table and exemption.

4. The monthly spend on each staff type

Please see the above table and exemption.

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

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,

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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