

Ref: FOI/2025/11271

Date Received: 2nd December 2025

Response Due: 2nd January 2026

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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 2nd December 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. What is the total Framework Agency spend from 1st March 2025 – 31st October 2025. Please breakdown between AHP, Doctors and Nursing?

AHP = £63,040.

Medical and Dental = £3,833,814.45.

Nursing = £73,346.

2. What is the total Off-Framework Agency spend from 1st March 2025 – 31st October 2025. Please breakdown between AHP, Doctors and Nursing?

No off-framework usage.

3. What is the total amount of framework agencies currently suppling above NHSI Capped rates (Escalated on framework) for Doctor's, AHP and nursing? Please specify these agencies.

AHP = 1

- Your World Recruitment

Medical and Dental = 21.

- Athona Ltd
- DRC Locums Ltd
- ED Staffing
- Holt Doctors
- ID Medical
- Interact Medical

- LAK Locums Limited
- Medacs Healthcare Plc
- Medecho Ltd
- Medilink Consulting
- Medsol Healthcare Services Ltd
- NC Healthcare
- Pe Global Healthcare
- Pertemps Medical Limited
- ProMedical Personnel
- Pulse Healthcare
- RIG Locums Ltd
- RM Medics
- Total Assist Recruitment Ltd
- Unite Medical
- Your Nurse Ltd

Nursing = None above cap supply

- 4. Are you currently reviewing your PSL for Doctor's, Nursing and AHP to help reduce agency spend where you currently have agencies charging above cap?**

AHP = 1 over cap, agency worker finished 15th December.
 Medical and Dental = Yes.
 Nursing = No over cap agency supply.
- 5. What areas are currently in high demand with the most unfilled vacancies for Doctors, Nursing and AHP?**

AHP = Radiology & Theatres.
 Medical and Dental = Emergency Medicine, Anaesthetics.
 Nursing = A&E, ICU and MAU.
- 6. Do you have a managed service implemented at the trust to assist with your temporary staffing processes?**

AHP = Yes.
 Medical and Dental = Yes.
 Nursing = Yes.
- 7. If yes, please advise who this contract is with, which staffing categories it is for, which framework it was procured under and when the contract expires.**

AHP = NHS Professionals, HTE Framework, expires March 2026.
 Medical and Dental = Liaison, NHS Continuing Healthcare - CHC framework, expires March 2026.
 Nursing = NHS Professionals, HTE Framework, expires March 2026.
- 8. Do you use a direct engagement platform?**

AHP = No.
 Medical and Dental = Yes.
 Nursing = NA – direct engagement isn't possible for nursing.
- 9. If yes, please advise who this contact is with, which staffing categories it is for, which framework it was procured under and when the contract expires.**

AHP = N/A.
 Medical and Dental = Liaison, NHS Continuing Healthcare -CHC framework, expires 31/03/26.
 Nursing = N/A.

10. Do you have a master vendor arrangement in place with any temporary staffing suppliers?

Neutral Vendor – NHS Professionals.

Neutral Vendor – Liaison – Medical.

11. If yes, please advise who this contract is with, which staffing categories it is for, which framework it was procured under and when the contract expires.

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Nursing = NHS Professionals, HTE Framework, expires March 2026.

12. Do you have any RPO (Recruitment Process Outsourcing) agreements with any suppliers in relation to the supply of substantive staff?

No.

13. If yes, please advise who this contract is with, which staffing categories it is for, when the contract expires, which framework it was procured under and which departments it is for (if it is department specific).

N/A.

14. Does the Trust use external supply agencies to support with insourcing services?

No.

15. If yes, which agencies are used, what was the spend for these services from 1st March 2025 - 31st October 2025 and which departments used these services from 1st March 2025 - 31st October 2025?

N/A.

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,



Juliette Tait
Chief People Officer

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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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