



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-579

Date: 11th April 2023

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 11th January 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding off-framework

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Please can you state your Trust's total off-framework agency staff spend for healthcare staff in the following financial years:

- i) 2017/18**
- ii) 2018/19**
- iii) 2019/20**
- iv) 2020/21**
- v) 2021/22**
- vi) 2022/23 to date**

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding this request, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link: FOI 634-2223 (February 2023) Note: we could not provide information going back as far as 2017 as a supplier may have been framework in 2018 but off framework in 2023 and vice versa.

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/freedom-of-information-publication-scheme/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/>

Note: that the UHNM regularly answers request regarding 'framework' and that all our responses can be found at the above link

Q2 Please provide a breakdown of this figure by the staffing agency used, providing the company name and the total spent with the agency in the year, for each of the following financial years.

- i) 2017/18**

- ii) 2018/19
- iii) 2019/20
- iv) 2020/21
- v) 2021/22
- vi) 2022/23 to date

A2 As answer 1

Q3 A) Please State How Many Healthcare Staff Shifts At Your Trust were filled by agency staff in each of the following financial years:

- i) 2017/18
- ii) 2018/19
- iii) 2019/20
- iv) 2020/21
- v) 2021/22
- vi) 2022/23 to date

b) For each year, please provide a breakdown of the number by the shifts covered by

- i) On framework agency staff
- ii) Off framework agency staff

A3 See below:

2017_2018	
Agency	Total
Framework	10318
Grand Total	10318

2018_2019	
Agency	Total
Framework	5441
Grand Total	5441

2019_2020	
Agency	Total
framework	5437
Grand Total	5437

2021_2022	
Agency	Total
Framework	5346
Grand Total	5346

2022_2023	
Agency	Total
Framework	9148
Off framework	3
Grand Total	9151

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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