



Ref: FOIA Reference 2019/20-095

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Date: 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding use of temporary agency staff.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 How many of each of the following staff types are currently working for the organisation on a temporary (agency) basis:**

- **CHC Assessors**
- **Mental Health Practitioners**
- **Qualified Social Workers**
- **Best Interests Assessors**
- **Approved Mental Health Practitioners**

A1 UHNM has none of the above category of staff types currently working for the organisation on a temporary (agency) basis.

**Q2 How much did your organisation spend on temporary (agency) workers in each of the following categories in the calendar year 2018?**

- **CHC Assessors**
- **Mental Health Practitioners**
- **Qualified Social Workers**
- **Best Interests Assessors**
- **Approved Mental Health Practitioners**

A2 Not applicable

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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.

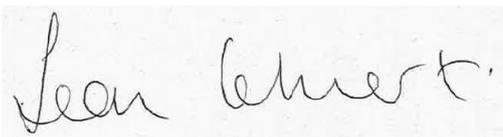
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



Jean Lehnert  
**Information Governance Manager**