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Email foi@uhn.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 24th August 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding agency staffing

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 Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you please provide me with the following information in relation to temporary agency staffing.

- 1. Neutral Vend (NV) or Master Vend (MV) Agency Supplier:**
 - i. Medical**
 - Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
 - Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier?
 - ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)**
 - Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
 - Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier
 - iii. Nursing**
 - Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
 - Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier
 - iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)**
 - Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
 - Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

A1 See below:

Medical – No Neutral or Master Vendor
Allied Health – Maxxima – 08/08/2024
Nursing – Day Webster – 30/09/2024
Non-Medical – No Neutral or Master Vendor

Q2 Direct Engagement (DE):

- i. Medical**
 - Name of the DE provider
 - Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
 - % of DE currently achieved

ii. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

- Name of the DE provider
- Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
- % of DE currently achieved

iii. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

- Name of the DE provider
- Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
- % of DE currently achieved

A2 See below:

PWC
30/09/2025
% of DE unknown

This answer covers Medical and Allied Health Professionals & Health Science Services only.

Q3 Financial Year 2022/2023 - spend figures on temporary agency staffing – (worker pay & agency commission only):

- Medical
- Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
- Nursing
- Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

A3 Agency usage in 2022/23 totalled £20.9m:

Doctors (Medical) 13.23
Qualified Nursing 3.99
Support to Clinical 0.55
Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical 1.76
Infrastructure Support 1.37
Total 20.9

Q4 Financial Year 2022/2023 - number of hours worked by temporary agency workers:

- Medical
- Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
- Nursing
- Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

A4 See below:

Medical: 142,522
AHP: 61,442
Nursing: 91,063.85

Q5 Contact responsible for temporary agency staffing at the Trust:

- Workforce Lead
 - Name
 - Job Title
- Procurement Lead
 - Name

- Job Title
- iii. Finance Lead
- Name
- Job Title

A5 Procurement Lead – Jo Roberts – Group Deputy Director of Procurement

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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.

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Yours,



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