



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-525

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Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 6th November 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) Budget

Q1 I'd like to obtain information in relation to Trust expenditure on doctor recruitment through external agencies during the 2023/24 financial year and 2024/25 financial year to date (05/11/24), via the Freedom of Information Act 2000:

How much did the Trust spend on agency locum doctors during the 2023/24 financial year? Can you please provide a breakdown of how much was spent per grade of doctor, specialty of doctor and the number of total hours booked in each specialty

A1 Please see attached spread sheet.

Q2 Can you please name which agencies provided the locum doctors relevant to the answer to my previous question (question 1) and the number of hours each agency provided?

A2 Please see attached spread sheet.

Q3 How much did the Trust spend on agency fees/costs when recruiting doctors to fixed term or permanent contracts via external agency during each period (i.e. where an introductory fee was charged)? Can you please provide a breakdown of how much was spent per grade of doctor, specialty of doctor and the number of doctors successfully deployed.

A3 Not applicable.

Q4 Can you please name which agencies provided the work/doctors outlined in question 3 and how many doctors each one has successfully provided to the Trust?

A4 Not applicable.

- Q5** Has the Trust conducted any overseas trips since 2022 to conduct recruitment activities for doctors? If yes, please state how much was spent on each separate visit, which agency was partnered with (if any) and how many doctors were successfully hired (and started in post at the hospital) as a result of each visit.
- A5** The Trust has not conducted any overseas trips since 2022 to conduct recruitment activities for doctors.

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