

FOI REF: 23/267

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Please answer all questions with the relevant data for the month of March 2023 (1st to the 31st March) for your nursing – inclusive of Adult, Mental Health, Critical, Community and District where applicable for both frameworks and off frameworks Agencies.

- 1. The total number and spend of nursing shifts sent to agencies to fill (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately**

Framework requested	5521
Non framework requested	0

We are unable to confirm the spend as not all shifts were filled.

- 2. The total number and spend of nursing shifts filled by agencies (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately**

Framework filled	782
Framework Spend	£ 353,260
Non framework filled	0

- 3. The total number and spend of critical banded nursing shifts sent to agencies to fill. (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately**

Please note that shifts are not banded by speciality, however, please see below for shifts requested under ITU:

Framework requested	279
Non framework requested	0

We are unable to confirm the spend as not all shifts were filled.

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4. **The total number and spend of critical banded nursing shifts filled by agencies. (frameworks and off frameworks) Please provide these totals separately**

Please note that shifts are not banded by speciality, however, please see below for shifts filled under ITU:

Framework filled	11 shifts
Framework spend	£4,745.07
Non framework filled	0

5. **The total number and spend of 'breaches' for filling a shift with agency nurses (Registered Nurses) not within the NHSI capped charge rates.**

226 shifts above NHSi capped charge rates.

6. **Please provide a list of all frameworks agencies that are currently 'breaching' 'breaches' when filling a shift with agency nurses (Registered Nurses) not within the NHSI capped charge rates.**

Allied & Clinical
Athona
HSA Locums
Staffing Professionals
Your Nurse

7. **Please provide a list of all frameworks agencies which supply the trust with nursing staff.**

Allied & Clinical
Altrix
Athona
Bleep 360
HSA Locums
HW Healthcare
ID Medical
London Health Care Locums
Medacs
Medicure
National Locums
PE Global
Pulse Jobs
Sirona
Smart Cash
Staffing Professionals
TFS
Your Nurse
Yourworld

8. Please provide a list of off framework agencies which have supplied (from 1st January 2023 to 31st March 2023) into the trust with nursing staff across all sites.

None.

9. From 1st March 2023 to 31st March 2023, please list the wards/ departments you have requested shifts for off framework agencies.

None.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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Yours sincerely

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