



FOI REF: 23/533

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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:

I would like to request the following information please:

1) The Trust's spend on agency workers (both on-framework and off-framework);

Non-framework spend April 2022 to March 2023	£0.00
Total Agency spend April 2022 to March 2023	£12,775,819.84

2) Which framework/s the Trust is using and when does the contract/s expire;

Workforce Alliance RM6161 and RM6277.

I can confirm that we hold the information requested above in respect of contract expiry dates. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain and can be accessed by the following links:

RM6161

[Clinical and Healthcare Staffing | NHS Workforce Alliance](#)

RM6277

[Non Clinical Staffing - CCS \(crowncommercial.gov.uk\)](#)

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

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3) **If not using a framework, which provider/s and when does the contract/s expire.**

Hunter Healthcare, contract ends 17th November 2023.

4) **Agency spend by job roles (including all staffing groups, clinical and non-clinical).**

For year April 2022 to March 23

Admin and Clerical	£293,035.13
Medical and Dental	£5,389,843.93
Nursing and Midwifery	£4,542,232.61
Healthcare Assistants	£1,091,700.68
Technicians	£999,956.83
Healthcare Science	£172,854.76
HPs	£340,194.90

If possible, it would be helpful for this information to go back the last 12 months, financial or calendar, or failing that any information you might have from recently.

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.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

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Yours sincerely

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