

FOI REF: 23/718

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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 am writing to you to request specific information related to the current spend and supplier details, ward information, and expenditure related to nursing agencies and other healthcare services within your NHS Trust for the financial year 2023/24.**

**Please provide the following information:**

**1) Current Spend with Off Framework Suppliers, specifically Nursing Agency & Name of Supplier:**

- a) **The total amount spent on nursing agency services during April 2023 to Date.**

[None.](#)

- b) **A breakdown of the spend by individual nursing agency suppliers, including the names of the suppliers and the respective amounts paid to each.**

[Not applicable.](#)

**2) List of the Areas, Wards by Month for April 2023 to Date.**

- a) **An itemized list of all areas and wards within your NHS Trust for which financial transactions have been recorded during April 2023 to Date.**

[Please see attached document. Agency Nursing and other Agency Healthcare Services Spend M1 to M6 FY 2023-2024.](#)

- b) The corresponding monthly expenditures for each area and ward, allowing for a comprehensive view of financial allocations and utilisation trends.

Please see attached document. Agency Nursing and other Agency Healthcare Services Spend M1 to M6 FY 2023-2024.

3) AHP (Allied Health Professionals) Spend & Areas of Spend:

- a) The total expenditure on services provided by Allied Health Professionals Agency for April 2023 to Date.

£570,494.

- b) A detailed breakdown of the spend, specifying the individual areas or specialties where Allied Health Professionals were engaged, and the amounts allocated to each.

Specialty	Total spend
Radiographer Principal	£111,900
Physiotherapist Specialist	£82,692
Radiographer Advanced	£81,557
Physiotherapist Advanced	£70,700
Biomedical Scientist Specialist	£58,913
Occupational Therapist Specialist	£36,416
Dietitian Specialist	£33,640
Highly Specialist Physiological Measurement Practitioner Clinical Physiologist	£32,646
Radiographer Specialist (Diagnostic Therapeutic)	£19,576
Radiographer Specialist (Reporting Sonographer)	£11,250
Podiatrist Specialist	£10,131
Dietitian Advanced	£8,942
Biomedical Scientist Advanced	£8,245
Physiotherapist	£1,960
Healthcare Scientist Principal (Research) (Career Framework Stage 8)	£1,927

4) List of Spend with Agencies where Escalated Rates have been Used & where Demand is still High:

- a) An account of all transactions made with agencies or suppliers where escalated rates for healthcare services were applied during April 2023 to Date.

Data available is included in attached document. Agency Nursing and other Agency Healthcare Services Spend M1 to M6 FY 2023-2024.

**b) Details of the services provided, the reasons for escalated rates, and any measures taken to manage the demand for such services.**

Biomedical Scientist Specialist  
Highly Specialist Physiological Measurement  
Practitioner Clinical Physiologist  
Podiatrist Specialist  
Radiographer Principal  
Radiographer Specialist (Diagnostic Therapeutic)  
Radiographer Specialist (Reporting Sonographer)  
Occupational Therapist Specialist  
Physiotherapist Specialist  
Physiotherapist Advanced  
Theatre ODP  
Theatre Anaesthetic Nurse

Reason for escalated rate is due to hard to fill vacancies, measures taken to manage the demand of the services is to use temporary cover whilst continuing to recruit.

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](mailto: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:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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## FOI 23-718 Nursing & AHP Agency Usage & Spend

### ESHT Spend on Agency Nursing and other Agency Healthcare Services M1 to M6 FY 2023/24

Row Labels	Sum of Actual	Sum of Actual	Sum of Actual	Sum of Actual	Sum of Actual	Sum of Actual	M6 YTD
Acute Medicine	14,419	19,089	29,459	16,415	17,523	21,024	<b>117,929</b>
Anaesthetics	13,051	28,773	12,344	27,971	13,497	905	<b>96,541</b>
Cardiology	58,916	49,803	51,993	48,696	39,620	59,076	<b>308,104</b>
Clinical Services	22,666	18,646	20,410	22,536	22,495	12,153	<b>118,906</b>
Critical Care	9,091	2,768	7,755	5,923	6,768	9,939	<b>42,244</b>
Diabetes & Endocrinology	-	-	-	-	4,153	14,138	<b>18,291</b>
Emergency Care	132,573	145,572	58,398	124,306	99,119	140,110	<b>700,078</b>
Escalation	15,979	12,429	-	3,592	2,439	11,040	<b>45,479</b>
Frailty	46,136	50,505	48,570	45,626	35,255	30,549	<b>256,641</b>
Gastroenterology	27,761	27,112	19,880	36,201	47,846	11,249	<b>170,049</b>
General & Breast Surgery	45,881	41,151	43,357	55,820	54,592	53,274	<b>294,075</b>
General Medicine	59,241	59,460	57,245	17,672	50,061	28,722	<b>272,401</b>
Management	7,454	12,687	4,895	6,701	7,114	868	<b>39,719</b>
Medical Management	5,067	1,246	12,565	8,672	218	-	<b>27,768</b>
Neurology	4,319	5,630	21,421	14,009	13,944	16,417	<b>75,740</b>
Oncology	-	-	876	-	-	389	<b>1,265</b>
Paediatrics	8,726	3,392	7,782	11,638	21,523	18,352	<b>71,413</b>
Planned Care Therapies	20,088	12,065	11,569	33,917	25,783	18,585	<b>122,007</b>
Radiology	41,663	59,636	71,832	59,541	76,868	39,909	<b>349,449</b>
Respiratory	31,922	33,879	37,572	32,512	42,747	6,253	<b>184,885</b>
Rheumatology	15,074	13,045	10,741	5,367	6,757	5,352	<b>56,336</b>
Stroke	9,937	7,397	2,771	11,273	13,701	8,559	<b>53,638</b>
Theatres	102,744	117,049	135,494	166,306	173,926	165,648	<b>861,167</b>
Trauma & Orthopaedics	11,631	7,100	8,442	3,808	4,540	2,573	<b>38,094</b>
UCR, Acute Therapies & IMC	28,781	260,761	211,301	117,438	98,197	78,615	<b>795,093</b>
Urology	23,000	33,465	7,953	2,109	14,131	44,793	<b>125,451</b>
Women's Health	-	306	806	4,492	2,606	11,942	<b>20,152</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>756,120</b>	<b>1,022,966</b>	<b>895,431</b>	<b>882,541</b>	<b>895,423</b>	<b>810,434</b>	<b>5,262,915</b>