

FOI REF: 24/453

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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:

1. **Who is the head of temporary staffing responsible for approving on-framework agency usage for Allied Health Professionals?**

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2. **Please provide the contact number and email address for the head of temporary staffing responsible for approving on-framework agency usage for AHPs**

We are unable to provide the contact details of staff as we consider this information to be exempt from release in accordance with section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act (Prohibition on disclosure) and would refer to the Privacy and Electronic Communications EC Directive Regulations 2003 which provide specific rules on electronic communication services, including marketing (by phone, fax, email or text) and keeping communications services secure. We will not provide any information that could result in the transmission of unsolicited communications which may place an unacceptable risk to our email network and could also have a detrimental impact on patient care and treatment.

The contact number for the Trust are accessible on the Trust website <http://www.esht.nhs.uk>.

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

3. Who are the departmental managers responsible for on-framework agency usage for the following departments at the hospitals associated with the Trust?

This is centralised so departments are not responsible for agency contracts.

- a. Physiotherapy
- b. Occupational Therapy
- c. Pharmacy
- d. Radiography
- e. Pathology (Biomedical Science)

4. Please provide the contact number and email address for the department managers at the hospitals associated with the Trust.

Section 44 applied, please see above.

5. What was the Trust's on-framework agency spend for the following staffing groups between Jan 2024 - present:

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| a. Physiotherapy | £24,932 |
| b. Occupational Therapy | £18,716 |
| c. Pharmacy | £0 |
| d. Radiography | £180,819 |
| e. Pathology (Biomedical Science) | £84,043 |

6. Based on % fill ratio, please provide a list of your top 5 on-framework agencies supplying agency staff in the following staffing groups:

Please note there are not 5 different agencies supplying in some specialities.

- a. Physiotherapy

Maxxima and Globe Locums

- b. Occupational Therapy

Maxxima

- c. Pharmacy

Not applicable.

- d. Radiography

Globe Locums, Sanctuary Personnel, IMC Locums, RIG Medical Recruit, Sonographers Medical.

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e. Pathology (Biomedical Science)

Day Webster, The Placement Group, Your World, Globe Locums.

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

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Yours sincerely

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