

FOI REF: 24/788

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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:

With the recent announcement of the Labour Government's Budget, which includes a £22.6bn increase for NHS day-to-day operations, I would appreciate your assistance in understanding the specific allocation of these funds.

Could you please provide a detailed breakdown of how your plans to distribute this funding, particularly in the following areas:

- 1. Non-Clinical Staffing: What portion of the funds is designated for non-clinical staffing roles?**

We do not hold this information.

The NHS funding increase was announced in the budget on the 30th October 2024. This increase is for NHS England, who will decide how to allocate and direct the use of this funding across NHS England Organisations and the 42 Integrated Care Systems (ICS) in England. Once the Sussex Health and Care ICS has been allocated their increase, this will then be allocated across the 7 NHS Trusts that are part of the Sussex Health and Care ICS. See link for further information below:

[Who we are - Sussex Health & Care](#)

Looking at this cascade of information regarding increased funding and direction, on how to use the increased funding cascading from NHS England down to individual NHS Trusts such as East Sussex healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT), it will be sometime before we are able to respond to this FOI. We therefore suggest you submit a new FOI to Sussex Health and Care ICS in January 2025.

- 2. Clinical Staffing by Specialty: How are funds allocated for clinical staffing across various specialties?**

Please refer to question 1 above.

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3. Waiting List's: Which area of waiting list's are your trust priority?

Please refer to question 1.

4. DE Break down: Agency Medical Locum spend via all sub speciality from August 2024 – October 2024

Please refer to question 1. When the new FOI is submitted in 2025, please include an explanation of what the DE abbreviation means.

5. NON DE Break down: Agency Medical locum spend via all sub speciality from August 2024 – October 2024

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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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