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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 seeking information regarding the management of staffing contracts and associated services within your Trust. Specifically, I would like to request information about the companies or processes involved in managing the following areas across the staffing groups of Doctors, Nursing, and Allied Health Professionals (AHPs):

- 1) Direct Engagement Management of direct engagement of staff.
  - a) The name(s) of the company or organization managing these services, if applicable.

Managed internally.

b) A brief description of their roles and responsibilities.

Not applicable.

c) Confirmation if the service is managed internally by the Trust, and if so, whether this is supported by any platforms or tools (in-house or otherwise).

Managed internally, platform used is TempRE (Liaison).

d) If a platform is used internally, confirmation that it is not managed by a third party.

Platform is not managed by a third party.

e) Confirmation if a particular area is not applicable to your Trust.

Not applicable.

f) An end date for the contract if applicable.

31st May 2025.

- 2) Neutral Vendor Contracts Oversight of neutral vendor agreements for agency staff.
  - a) The name(s) of the company or organization managing these services, if applicable.
  - b) A brief description of their roles and responsibilities.
  - c) Confirmation if the service is managed internally by the Trust, and if so, whether this is supported by any platforms or tools (in-house or otherwise).
  - d) If a platform is used internally, confirmation that it is not managed by a third party.
  - e) Confirmation if a particular area is not applicable to your Trust.
  - f) An end date for the contract if applicable.

Not applicable.

- 3) Bank Staff Management Administration and management of staff banks.
  - a) The name(s) of the company or organization managing these services, if applicable.

Managed internally.

b) A brief description of their roles and responsibilities.

Not applicable.

c) Confirmation if the service is managed internally by the Trust, and if so, whether this is supported by any platforms or tools (in-house or otherwise).

Managed internally, platform used is Healthroster (Allocate).

d) If a platform is used internally, confirmation that it is not managed by a third party.

Platform is not managed by a third party.

e) Confirmation if a particular area is not applicable to your Trust.

Not applicable.

f) An end date for the contract if applicable.

5<sup>th</sup> July 2027.

- Master Vendor Contracts Oversight and management of master vendor 4) contracts.
  - The name(s) of the company or organization managing these services, if a) applicable.
  - A brief description of their roles and responsibilities. b)
  - c) Confirmation if the service is managed internally by the Trust, and if so, whether this is supported by any platforms or tools (in-house or otherwise).
  - d) If a platform is used internally, confirmation that it is not managed by a third party.
  - Confirmation if a particular area is not applicable to your Trust. e)
  - An end date for the contract if applicable. f)

Not applicable.

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 (eshtr.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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely