

FOI REF: 25/328

28th May 2025

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:

- Please provide the "On" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of doctors/Nursing/AHP/HSS recruited through Agency for fixed term and Permanent positions during the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st March 2025.**

The on-framework agency expenditure for the period 1st January 2024 to 31st March 2025 is £257,971.

The total number of doctors/nursing/AHP/HSS recruited through agency for fixed term and permanent positions is as follows:

Doctors	5
Nurses	12
AHP/HSS	4

- Please provide the "Off" Framework Agency expenditure and total number of doctors/Nursing/AHP/HSS recruited through Agency for fixed term and Permanent positions during the period from 1st January 2024 to 31st March 2025.**

No off-framework agencies have been used during the period requested.

- Does your organization have an in-house Recruitment team to manage permanent requests, or is this outsourced to a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor provider? If outsourced, please provide the name of the company.**

In-house.

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4. **If the recruitment services are outsourced, what was the start date and expiry date of the contract with this provider?**

Not applicable.

5. **How many agencies are currently supplying the Trust for doctors'/AHP/HSS/ Nursing fixed term and Permanent recruitment, and what are their names?**

Medacs	Medical Posts
Remedium	Medical Posts
Indigo	Medical Posts
Nursing	no agencies
AHPs	no agencies

6. **Who is the head of your procurement or Recruitment team responsible for approving framework agencies wishing to join your preferred supplier list? Please provide their contact details.**

Greig Woodfield
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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.

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:

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

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Yours sincerely

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