

FOI REF: 25/710

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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:

Please note that East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust does not have NHS 111 Health Advisor or NHS 111 Clinical Advisor roles. The Trust does not use agencies for the Nurse Assessor role – and has not done so in the previous six months. Therefore, the response to all nine questions is 'Not applicable'.

For the 6-month period ending 30th September 2025, can you please provide:

- 1) Total Framework Agency Spend for the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 2) Total Off Framework Agency Spend for the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 3) Total hours filled by Framework Agencies for the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 4) Total hours filled by Off Framework Agencies for the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors

- 5) A list of all Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for the below specialties and total number of shifts for each framework agency:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 6) A list of all Off Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for the below specialties and total number of shifts for each Off Framework agency:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 7) The highest Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for each of the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 8) The highest Off Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for each of the below specialties:
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors
- 9) A list of any agency (Framework and Off Framework) that have ongoing block booking arrangements for the below specialties within your Trust within the identified time frame (01.03.2025 30.09.2025):
  - a) NHS 111 Health Advisors
  - b) NHS 111 Clinical Advisors
  - c) Nurse Assessors

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

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