

Information Governance

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I am responding to your request for information received 23 September 2020. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Keshia Harvey
Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision. If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Request:
To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the NHS.

I would like you to send me the locum agency spend for the trust for Nurses in acute settings as well as the community, including but not limited to general, ITU, Mental Health. I would like to know the spend for from January 2020 to date, also including the amount of locums that this refers to per month, broken down on a monthly basis. In the breakdown if you could please include the agencies that provide the locums also broken down numerically.

Ideally this would read as below -
January 2018 - £20k Community - £16k Acute
MSI – Mental Health Nurses x 3
Your World – Mental Health Nurses x 2
Maxxima - Mental Health Nurses x 2
Pulse - Mental Health Nurses x 2

Then a breakdown all the way to as present as possible.

If you could provide this either in a PDF or excel format.

Answer: Please find attached excel document detailing the amount spent and the agencies used.

Please note, the Trust does not record the whole time equivalent for invoices paid and therefore cannot provide information regarding the amount of nurses.

The Trust has reviewed your request for a breakdown of the amount of nurses. In order to establish this, staff would need to review each invoice individually and calculate the amount of hours invoiced. Therefore, the Trust is unable to comply with this particular part of your request as the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to 18 hours work