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I am responding to your request for information received 1 August 2023. 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,

Information Rights Coordinator

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:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

Question 1a: Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving Nursing agency usage?

Answer: The Trust does not have a lead for approving nursing agency usage. Services are responsible for approving their own usage.

Question 1b: Secondly, who is the temporary / flexible staffing lead responsible for the management of this service?

Answer: Tanya Carter, Chief People Officer.

Question 2: Please can you provide the contact number and email address in relation to both question 1 (a) and (b)

Answer: Email: Tanya.carter@nhs.net
0207 655 4000.

Question 3: Have you used Off-framework nursing agency staff in the last 2 months?

Answer: Yes.

Question 4: How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between January 2022 – April 2022
(a) RGN's
(b) Chemotherapy Nurses
(d) Specialist RN (ITU)
(e) Specialist RN (A&E)

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4a, 4b, 4d, and 4e of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide the services as described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

(c) RMN

c) The Trust had no off-framework agency spend for nursing during this period.

(f) Community Psychiatric nurse

f) The Trust had no off-framework agency spend for nursing during this period.

Question 5: Following the same breakdown of staff groups in Question 4, how many Off-framework shifts have been unfilled between April 2023 – July 2023?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.



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East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record off-framework unfilled shifts as and is therefore unable to provide a response.



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