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I am responding to your request for information received 22 September 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,

Senior Information Governance Manager – Compliance

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:

Question 1: Please confirm how many shifts were sent out for agencies to fill (per month), for Band 5 and Band 2 between July 2022 and June 2023?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 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 does not record the number of shifts that were sent out for agencies to fill and is therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 2: Please confirm how many of these shifts were filled by agencies per month for the same timespan as detailed in Q1. (Please can this be broken down per agency)

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 3: Where there is a Tiered structure of agency suppliers, please can you confirm how many shifts per month were filled by each 'Tier' of supplier used.

Answer: The Trust does not currently use a tiered system.

Question 4: Between July 2022 and June 2023, what was the trust spend per month, for each agency supplier?

Answer: Please see appendix attached.

Question 5: Please confirm the average charge rate across this 12 month period for a Band 5 General nurse.

Answer: Please see table below:

Period	Average Monthly B5 Agency Nurse Charge
July 2022	8,476
August 2022	5,692
September 2022	6,686
October 2022	4,766
November 2202	10,012



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Period	Average Monthly B5 Agency Nurse Charge
December 2022	6,244
January 2023	9,104
February 2023	5,938
March 2023	5,633
April 2023	6,062
May 2023	8,578
June 2023	8,784

Question 6: Please confirm Total off-framework spend across the period July 2022 to June 2023. Can this also be broken down per month.

Answer: The total off-framework spend between July 2022 and June 2023 was £3,263,883. Please see table below for the monthly breakdown.

Period	Total off-framework spend
July 2022	£255,718
August 2022	£288,560
September 2022	£310,207
October 2022	£282,707
November 2022	£295,427
December 2022	£237,905
January 2023	£278,083
February 2023	£282,742
March 2023	£325,167
April 2023	£240,459
May 2023	£206,299
June 2023	£260,609



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