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I am responding to your request for information received 10 November 2023. 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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Interim Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza

Request:

Question 1: Has the Trust used recruitment agencies to recruit temporary non-medical non-clinical staff?

Answer: Yes.

Question 1a: If so, please confirm the total agency spend on non-medical non-clinical temporary staff for the period April 2022 to April 2023.

Answer: The total agency spend for April 2022 was £126,857.

The Trust has reviewed question 1a of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested (from May 2022 – April 2023) is accessible here:

https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-08/Response%20FOI%20DA4751%20-%20Appendix%201.pdf

Question 1b: Please provide a breakdown of your answer to question 1a, splitting the spend by job title/banding

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1b of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Please note: the information for April 2022 is not available.

Question 2: Has the Trust used recruitment agencies to recruit permanent non-medical non-clinical staff?

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

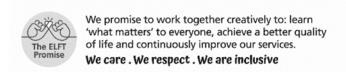
Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

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The information requested is accessible here:

Question 2

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Question 2a: If so, please confirm the total agency spend on non-medical nonclinical permanent staff for the period April 2022 to April 2023

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2a of your request for information under the

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

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under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

Question 2a

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Question 2b: Please provide a breakdown of your answer to question 2a, splitting the spend by job title/specialism.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2b of your request for information under the

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 2a

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Question 3: Does the Trust have a Bank to provide temporary workers, if so, what is the

name of the Bank and the agency contact within the Bank

Answer: The staff bank is managed in-house.

Question 4: Please provide the contact name of the person responsible for authorising

the supply of non-medical nonclinical permanent staff via recruitment

agencies?

Answer: Dr Mohit Venkataram, Executive Director of Commercial Development.

Email: mohit.venkataram@nhs.net

Question 5: Please provide the contact name of the person responsible for authorizing

the supply of non-medical nonclinical temporary staff via recruitment

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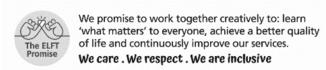
Question 6: For the same 12-month period, please can you provide the list of recruitment

agencies that have supplied to you for non-clinical staff outside of the

framework.

Answer: Computer Futures

Seven Resourcing Ltd



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Question 7: Please outline your spending per agency, broken down by grade and

speciality of roles or lots department for the above time period.

Answer: Please see appendix 1 attached.

Question 8: Please can you confirm on what occasions you would look to go outside of

the framework for non-clinical staffing?

Answer: The Trust would not normally go outside the framework, unless there is a serious

risk to safer staffing and we are unable to secure via the framework – but only

after exhausting all options to secure a worker via the framework.

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