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I am responding to your request for information received 3 February 2025. 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:

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

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

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Request:

Question 1: Does your organisation engage a Neutral Vend or Master Vend agency supplier for:

a. Medical

i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier?

b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)

i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)

i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

d. Nursing

i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier

ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

Answer: Please see table below:

Agency Staff Group	i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier	ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier?
a. Medical	Pulse	The Trust has reviewed questions 1a and 1b, of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000. Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i> The information requested is accessible here: Question 3d https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2024-05/foi_da5332_-_appendix_1.pdf
b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)	Pulse	
c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)	The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000. Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i> The information requested is accessible here: Question 1 https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-03/ANON%20Response%20-%20FOI%20DA4616.pdf	
d. Nursing	Pulse	The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information



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		<p>Act (FOI) 2000.</p> <p>Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i></p> <p>The information requested is accessible here:</p> <p>Question 3d</p> <p>https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2024-05/foi_da5332 - appendix 1.pdf</p>
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Question 2: Does your organisation utilise a Direct Engagement (DE) supplier for:

- a. **Medical**
 - i. **Name of the DE provider**
 - ii. **Expiry date of contract with the DE provider**
 - iii. **% of DE currently achieved**
- b. **Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)**
 - i. **Name of the DE provider**
 - ii. **Expiry date of contract with the DE provider**
 - iii. **% of DE currently achieved**
- c. **Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)**
 - i. **Name of the DE provider**
 - ii. **Expiry date of contract with the DE provider**
 - iii. **% of DE currently achieved**

Answer: Please see table below:

Agency Staff Group	i. Name of the DE provider	ii. Expiry date of contract with the DE provider	iii. % of DE currently achieved
Medical	The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.		97.5%
Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)			100%
Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)	<p>Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1)Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i></p> <p>The information requested is accessible here:</p> <p>Question 4</p> <p>https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2024-05/foi_da5332 - appendix 1.pdf</p>		Data not available.



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- Question 3:** For the most recent Financial Year you have available please can you supply the spend figures on temporary agency staffing (worker pay & agency commission only) for:
- Medical**
 - Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)**
 - Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)**
 - Nursing**

Answer: Please see table below:

Agency Staff Group	Expenditure on temporary agency staff for financial year 2023/24
a. Medical	<p>The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.</p> <p>Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i></p> <p>The information requested is accessible here:</p> <p>Question 1</p> <p>https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2024-10/anon_response_-_foi_da5539.pdf</p>
b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)	
c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)	Not applicable. NMNC staff are employed internally.
d. Nursing	<p>The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.</p> <p>Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states: <i>(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.</i></p> <p>The information requested is accessible here:</p> <p>Question 3d</p> <p>https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2024-10/anon_response_-_foi_da5539.pdf</p>

- Question 4:** For the most recent Financial Year you have available please can you supply the number of hours worked by temporary agency workers for:
- Medical**
 - Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)**
 - Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)**
 - Nursing**

Answer: Please see table below:

Agency Staff Group	Hours worked by temporary agency staff for financial year 2023/24
Medical	63,691



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Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)	58,503
Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)	Not applicable. NMNC staff are employed internally.
Nursing	84,863

Question 5: Where a contract is in place for the provision of a Neutral Vend, Master Vend and/or a Direct Engagement supplier, please can you advise who the lead contact or responsible officer within the organisation is for this contract?

- **Name:**
- **Job title:**
- **Email:**

Answer: Kevin Curnow, Chief Finance Officer.
Email: kevincurnow@nhs.net

Question 6: Alternatively please can you advise who is responsible for temporary agency staffing at the organisation across the following departments:

- a. **Workforce Lead**
Name:
Job Title:
- b. **Procurement Lead**
Name:
Job Title:
- c. **Finance Lead**
Name:
Job Title:

Answer: Not applicable.



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