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I am responding to your request for information received 30 July 2025. 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

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Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

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Request: For the 6-month period ending 30th June 2025, can you please provide:

Question 1: Total Framework Agency Spend for the below specialties:

- Occupational Health Nurses
- Nurse Assessors
- Health Visitors
- Dental Nurses
- Chemotherapy Nurses
- Paediatric Nurses
- Social Workers

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

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Under S16 of the FOI Act we have a duty to provide advice and assistance. As such the Trust can provide data for the last 30 days or the total expenditure without being broken down by on/off framework. If this is helpful then please submit a new request outlining your refined requirements.

Question 2: Total Off Framework Agency Spend for the below specialties:

- Occupational Health Nurses
- Nurse Assessors
- Health Visitors
- Dental Nurses
- Chemotherapy Nurses
- Paediatric Nurses
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Question 3: Total hours filled by Framework Agencies for the below specialties:

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
- **Dental Nurses**
- **Chemotherapy Nurses**
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Question 4: Total hours filled by Off Framework Agencies for the below specialties:

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
- **Dental Nurses**
- **Chemotherapy Nurses**
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Question 5: A list of all Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for the below specialties and total number of shifts for each framework agency:

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
- **Dental Nurses**
- **Chemotherapy Nurses**
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Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 6: A list of all Off Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for the below specialties and total number of shifts for each Off Framework agency:

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**



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- **Dental Nurses**
- **Chemotherapy Nurses**
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Question 7: The highest Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for each of the below specialties:

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
- **Dental Nurses**
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Question 8: The highest Off Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for each of the below specialties:

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- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
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Question 9: A list of any agency (Framework and Off Framework) that have ongoing block booking arrangements for the below specialties within your Trust within the identified time frame (01.01.2025 - 30.06.2025):

- **Occupational Health Nurses**
- **Nurse Assessors**
- **Health Visitors**
- **Dental Nurses**
- **Chemotherapy Nurses**
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