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We are responding to your request for information received 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026. We are sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We are now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact us on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team

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  
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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
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**Request:**

I am looking for this information due to establishing a better understanding of the needs of any nursing services you provide, along with the service users covered. No documentation is required, however full and clear disclosure is appreciated.

Unless otherwise stated, all questions relate to Nursing usage only.

**Question 1:** Please provide name and contact details (email address and telephone number where possible) of the following (broken down per site):

- a) Temporary Staffing Manager or Staff Bank Manager
- b) Lead Cancer Nurse and/or;
- c) Cancer Manager

**Answer:** Temporary Staffing Manager: Lisa Baker, [lisa.baker8@nhs.net](mailto:lisa.baker8@nhs.net), 020 7655 4000

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

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

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East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide cancer services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 2:** How much nursing agency usage from January 2025 to December 2025 has the Trust used? This is a request for Nursing only. I request for this information to be broken down into the following:

- a) unit/site and ward/department
- b) grade/title (i.e. Band 5/6/7 Nurse etc.)
- c) amount of hours and/or full time equivalent (FTE) broken down per month during the requested time period above
- d) total cost of agency usage (in £) per month during the requested time period above
- e) what agencies were used, along with total amount in £ per agency on a monthly basis during the requested time period above
- f) of these agencies, who were classified as 'off framework' and 'on framework'

**Answer:** Please see appendix 1 for Question 2a) to Question 2e)

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

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With regards to Question 2f, East London NHS Foundation Trust does not currently maintain or have access to a centralised and consistently reliable record indicating whether individual bookings were made under a framework agreement. This is further complicated by the existence of multiple



frameworks, each allowing for different booking arrangements. Agencies may have been on a framework at the time of booking but subsequently left, or may have joined a framework after the booking occurred. Given these factors, the Trust is unable to confirm the framework status of specific historical bookings.

Section 16(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Section 16 (1) It shall be the duty of a public authority to provide advice and assistance, so far as it would be reasonable to expect the authority to do so, to persons who propose to make, or have made, requests for information to it.*

Under Section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act, the Trust has a duty to provide a reasonable level of advice and assistance. As such, the Trust can disclose the following information to assist you with your request.

As such the Trust can provide data for the last 30 days without being broken down by on/off framework. If this is helpful then please submit a new request outlining your refined requirements.

**Question 3: How does the Trust source any Nurse agency requirements? I request your answer include any frameworks that you use along with the number of SLAs you have in place with providers.**

Answer: We use NHS Workforce Alliance delivered by CCS and LPP

We have a PSL and we cascade via email for all new requests.

**Question 4: Based on your answer above, can you confirm the number of incidences whereby your agency need has been charged above NHSi cap, broken down per shift on a monthly basis i.e. April 2018 = 25 shifts and by what agency**

Answer: Please see table below:

Months (Date)	Agency Name	Total number of shifts
Jan	DRC LOCUMS LTD	22
	YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	2
<b>Jan Total</b>		<b>24</b>
Feb	DRC LOCUMS LTD	15
	YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	11
<b>Feb Total</b>		<b>26</b>
Mar	DRC LOCUMS LTD	21
	YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	9
<b>Mar Total</b>		<b>30</b>
Apr	DRC LOCUMS LTD	17
	YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	12
<b>Apr Total</b>		<b>29</b>
May	YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	5
<b>May Total</b>		<b>5</b>
Jun	SANCTUM RECRUITMENT LTD	12
<b>Jun Total</b>		<b>12</b>
Sep	UNITY HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT LTD	1
<b>Sep Total</b>		<b>1</b>



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Oct	UNITY HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT LTD	2
<b>Oct Total</b>		<b>2</b>
Nov	UNITY HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT LTD	13
<b>Nov Total</b>		<b>13</b>
Dec	MSI RECRUITMENT LTD	2
	UNITY HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT LTD	19
<b>Dec Total</b>		<b>21</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>163</b>

**Question 5: Who is responsible for making the decision on which agency/recruitment business to use to fulfil your agency nursing requirements. Please include name and contact details (email and telephone number where possible).**

Answer: Barbara Britner, [barbara.britner@nhs.net](mailto:barbara.britner@nhs.net), 020 7655 4000

**Question 6: What are the Trusts current full-time and part-time vacancies for:**

- a) Cancer Clinical Nurse Specialists
- b) Lead Cancer Nurse
- c) Cancer Manager
- d) Chemotherapy Nurses
- e) Radiology Nurses
- f) Oncology Nurses
- g) General Nurses (all specialisms)

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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With regards to parts a-f, East London NHS Foundation Trust is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not provide these services. The Trust is therefore unable to provide a response.

Concerning part g, the following are relevant current Trust vacancies for nursing:

- Learning Disability Nurse Consultant - Full time
- Community Mental Health Nurse - Full time
- Community Staff Nurse - Part time
- District Nurse Team Lead - Full time
- Rapid Response Sister/Charge Nurse - Part time



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