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We are responding to your request for information received 1st April 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:

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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

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Request:

Question 1: In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- **Total trust spend with framework agencies for locum nurses**

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- **Spend per band**
- **Spend per specialty**
- **Spend per agency name**

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 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 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: In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- **Total trust spend with off framework agencies for locum nurses**

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- **Spend per band**
- **Spend per specialty**
- **Spend per agency name**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 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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Question 3: In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- **Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum nurses**

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- **Spend per band**
- **Spend per specialty**
- **Spend per agency name**

Answer:

Agency spend by band	
Banding	Spend (£)
Band 5 RMN	11301.12
Band 5 RN	41577.46
Band 6 RMN	108526.96
Band 6 RN	160115.88
Band 7 ENP	25042.50
Band 7 RN	8580.00
Grand Total	355143.92

Agency spend by specialty	
Banding	Spend (£)
Amphill CMHT	1563.45
BED Bedford Op CMHT	10274.10
BED Bedfordshire MAS	3201.35
BED Community Nursing Mid	746.27
BED Community Nursing Mid West	4486.60
BED Community Nursing North	59030.90
BED Community Nursing South	15039.53
BED Early Intervention Cwide	11837.55
BED Leighton Buzzard	3483.00



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BED Mid Beds Op CMHT	9604.05
C&H EQUIP	6585.00
C&H Neighbourhood Recovery Service E71076	5004.60
L-SOUTH CMH Hub	19863.26
PC - Cauldwell Medical Centre	8580.00
PC - Kingsway and Bramingham	6432.68
Rapid Response Team	180833.64
TH CMHT Isle of Dogs	8577.95
Grand Total	355143.92

Agency spend by agency	
Banding	Spend (£)
ACKERMAN PIERCE LTD	11211.95
ID MEDICAL GROUP LTD	14558.74
LOCUM MEDS	31475.18
MEDICURE PROFESSIONALS LTD	18809.16
MEDSOL HEALTHCARE SERVICES LTD	4849.07
MSI RECRUITMENT LTD	74913.44
NATIONAL LOCUMS	9380.70
PROMEDICAL PERSONNEL LTD	9604.05
SANCTUARY PERSONNEL LTD	18422.55
TRIPOD PARTNERS	7519.45
UNITY HEALTHCARE RECRUITMENT LTD	153491.35
YOUR WORLD NURSING LTD	908.29
Grand Total	355143.92

Question 4: Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026)

Answer: 1219 shifts

Question 5: Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked above NHSE capped rates during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026)

Answer: 22 shifts

Question 6: Please confirm the framework you utilise for nursing agency staff.

Answer RM6281 Workforce Alliance framework



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