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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 201120.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

### **FOI Request – Contingent Workforce**

**1. Do the NHS Organisation have a Master Vend or Neutral Vend arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? This question is broken down into staff groups below. Please provide the suppliers name as well as the contract expiry (Month/Year).**

No

**i. Medical / Dental**

**ii. Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical**

**iii. Nursing and Midwifery**

**iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical**

**2. Does the NHS Organisation have a bank provider? If so, please name the provider and staff groups covered.**

No

**Please note, where the bank service is being provided in-house, but utilising Allocates BankStaff and Healthroster, please list provider as 'Allocate'.**

**3. Do the NHS Organisation have a Direct Engagement provider in place? (Yes / No)**

No

The question is broken down further below:

i. If so, what is the name of the Direct Engagement provider?

ii. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, when does this contract end? (Month/Year)

iii. When this contract ends, are the NHS Organisation looking to undertake a procurement exercise and go to market, as opposed to an automatic extension? (Yes / No)

iv. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, please provide a 'Yes' or 'No' by the below staff groups if they are currently captured under the model:

Staff Group Yes / No

- Medical & Dental

- Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical

- Non-Medical, Non-Clinical

**4. Please provide 19/20 Full Financial Year agency spend figures across each of the below staff groups:**

*Values are rounded to the nearest £000*

**Staff Group Agency Spend Total**

£3,792,000

- Medical & Dental

- Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical

- Non-Medical, Non-Clinical

£3,707,000

- Nursing and Midwifery

- Non-Medical, Clinical Staff (added) £85,000

**5. Please provide 19/20 Full Financial Year bank spend figures across each of the below staff groups:**

*Values are rounded to the nearest £000*

**Staff Group Bank Spend Total** 2,241,000

- Medical & Dental

- Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical

- Non-Medical, Non-Clinical 383,000

- Nursing and Midwifery

- Non-Medical, Clinical Staff (added) 1,858,000

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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