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Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 240529. Please accept my sincere apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding this request. In this instance, the Trust has not responded to your request within the required 20 days, and for this I apologise.

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

**I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to request the following information regarding your agency nurse spend for the months of March, April, and May 2024, specifically for "Band 2 HCAs" and separately for "all other Nursing & Midwifery roles":**

**Top 10 Nurse Agencies by Spend:**

**Please provide a list of your top 10 nurse agencies by spend for the months of March, April, and May 2024.**

Please note, as an ambulance Trust we do not utilise nurses in a typical nurse role or job title as requested, however, we do have registered nurses that deliver telephone advice as a clinical advisor to patients who call our 999 or 111 service, however we do not hold that information for the agency staff employed.

**For each agency, specify whether they are on-framework or off-framework.**

Not applicable

**Provide this information separately for "Band 2 HCAs" and "all other Nursing & Midwifery roles".**

Not applicable

## **On-Framework vs Off-Framework Spend:**

- **Provide the total spend for the months of March, April, and May 2024.**

Not applicable

- **Break down the spend into on-framework and off-framework categories.**

Not applicable

- **Provide this information separately for "Band 2 HCAs" and "all other Nursing & Midwifery roles".**

Not applicable

## **Compliance with NHS England Rate Caps:**

- **Specify the number of agency shifts in May 2024 that were compliant with NHS England Rate Caps.**

Not applicable

- **Provide this information separately for "Band 2 HCAs" and "all other Nursing & Midwifery roles".**

Not applicable

## **Compliance with Agency Spend Ceiling:**

- **Total agency spend (all staff groups, including Nursing & Midwifery (and HCAs), Medical and Dental, Non-Medical Non-Clinical, and any others) between 1st January and 31st May 2024.**

The total agency spend for all staff groups between 1st January and 31st May 2024 was £988,210.

- **What does this figure represent as a percentage of the Trust's total pay bill for the same period.**

This figure represents 0.73% of the Trusts total pay bill for the same period.

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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