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Internal Ref: 260149
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Dear ,

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

FOI Request & FOI Response

To whom it may concern,

For the 6-month period ending 1st January 2026, can you please provide:

- 1. Total Framework Agency Spend for Sonographers.**
- 2. Total Off Framework Agency Spend Sonographers.**
- 3. Total hours filled by Framework Agencies for Sonographers and a breakdown of hours filled.**
- 4. Total hours filled by Off Framework Agencies for Sonographers and a breakdown of hours filled.**



5. A list of all Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for Sonographers.

6. A list of all Off Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for Sonographers and total number of shifts for each Off Framework agency.

7. The highest Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for Sonographers

8. The highest Off Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for Sonographers.

9. A list of any agency (Framework and Off Framework) that have ongoing block booking arrangements for Sonographers within your Trust within the identified time frame (01.06.2025 - 01.01.2026)

The Trust does not employ Sonographers so therefore, has no Off Framework Agency Spend or charge rate.

Next steps

Please note you will be able to source a lot of information which is made available on our website.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance, via the following email address: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our



original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer.

We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/our-approach-to-regulation/complaints/) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Coordinator
South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**



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