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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/05/23.

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

**Q1: Staff vacancies:**

**What is your trust's a) FTE establishment and b) total FTE vacancies for each of the following staff groups, at 1 April 2017 and at 1 April 2018:**

- 1. All staff (including below groups)**
- 2. Hospital & Community Health Service Doctors**
- 3. Registered nurses**

	1 April 2017		1 April 2018	
	FTE Establishment	FTE Vacancies	FTE Establishment	FTE Vacancies
<b>All staff (including below groups)</b>	3474.86	356.36	3509.29	429.69
<b>Hospital &amp; Community Health Service Doctors</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Registered nurses*</b>	5.07	2.58	5.07	1.00

\*Please note that we have only included 'nurse specific' roles in the vacancy figures for registered nurses. Therefore, if a position can be filled by another Health Care Professional other than a nurse then this has not been included

**Q2: Agency cover:**

**How many FTE equivalent posts were covered by agency staff on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 for each of the following groups:**

- 1. All staff (including below groups) 89**
- 2. Hospital & Community Health Service Doctors None**
- 3. Registered nurses None**

**Q3: Agency staff:**

**How many individual agency staff have been working continuously (at least one shift per month) at the trust as of May 2018 for a) 3 months, b) 6 months and c) 12 months for the following groups:**

**1. All staff (including below groups)**

21 working continuously for 3 months

34 working continuously for 6 months

12 working continuously for 12 months

**2. Hospital & Community Health Service Doctors** None

**3. Registered nurses** None

**Q4: Agency staff:**

**What is the longest that an individual agency worker have been working continuously (at least one shift per month) at the trust as of May 2018 for the following groups:**

**1. All staff (including below groups)**

We have an agency staff member who started in 2012. However, we are unable to confirm if they have worked at least one shift a month as they pick up shifts when they are available and in line with demand

**2. Hospital & Community Health Service Doctors** None

**3. Registered nurses** None

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, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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