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Date Received: 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Response Due: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**Please disclose how much (total £) the trust has spent on on-framework agency, off-framework agency, and bank staff in the past four full financial years (2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/23; and 2023/24).**

**In this instance, "on-framework" refers to organisations on NHS England's list of approved staffing providers. "Off-framework" refers to those who are not on this list but still provide services to trusts.**

**The figures should pertain to totals in each financial year and overall since 1 April 2020 (i.e., the start of the 2020/21 financial year). If possible, please also disclose:**

**1. A breakdown by total for all three (i.e., £2m on "on-framework", £800k for "off-framework", £1.2m for bank) in each of the four financial years; and**

**2. If available, the top three specialties by spend in each of the four financial years (e.g., gynaecology, dermatology, cardiology).**

Please see the below table.

|                     | 2020/21    | 2021/22      | 2022/23      | 2023/24      |
|---------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>On Framework</b> |            |              |              |              |
| Acute Medicine      | 946,555.51 | 1,949,479.69 | 2,301,226.78 | 952,793.45   |
| Pathology           | 352,222.00 | 416,995.00   | 847,363.87   | 1,082,879.11 |

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| Dermatology                | 350,438.88           | 700,396.50           | 809,654.73           | 615,053.70           |
| Others                     | 8,875,362.09         | 4,907,144.31         | 8,271,523.23         | 6,389,395.13         |
| <b>On Framework Total</b>  | <b>10,524,578.48</b> | <b>7,974,015.50</b>  | <b>12,229,768.61</b> | <b>9,040,121.39</b>  |
| <b>Off Framework</b>       |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Admin Services             | 414,381.24           | 321,698.28           | 26,773.26            |                      |
| IM & T                     | 42,612.00            | 1,590.00             | 309,682.12           | 305,934.24           |
| Corporate Items            | 370,722.11           | 49,947.00            | -51,903.46           | -30,823.80           |
| Others                     | 75,571.92            | 364,998.26           | 824,770.43           | 177,864.44           |
| <b>Off Framework Total</b> | <b>903,287.27</b>    | <b>738,233.54</b>    | <b>1,109,322.35</b>  | <b>452,974.88</b>    |
| <b>Bank</b>                |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Acute Medicine             | 3,111,667.03         | 5,704,059.25         | 3,769,910.18         | 3,458,297.69         |
| Emergency Village          | 1,865,909.65         | 2,579,183.89         | 2,629,024.13         | 7,465,638.35         |
| Wards                      | 1,979,417.00         | 2,805,758.73         | 3,098,725.11         | 2,461,430.74         |
| Others                     | 15,726,116.39        | 19,740,581.38        | 23,277,510.22        | 16,556,445.77        |
| <b>Bank Total</b>          | <b>22,683,110.07</b> | <b>30,829,583.25</b> | <b>32,775,169.64</b> | <b>29,941,812.55</b> |
| <b>Grand Total</b>         | <b>34,110,975.82</b> | <b>39,541,832.29</b> | <b>46,114,260.60</b> | <b>39,434,908.82</b> |

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Tabitha Gardner  
Chief Finance Officer

**PLEASE NOTE:**

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

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