

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

## **Information Governance Department**

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Date Received: 13th December 2024

Response Due: 15th January 2025

Date: 31st December 2024

## Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 13th December 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:

1. From September to November 2024 please confirm how many Nursing shifts were sent out to agencies to fill (per month), for Band 2, Band 3, Band 5 and Band 6 by discipline (e.g. General, Critical, RMN, CPN etc)

| September | Band 5 | RN00 – General 74 |     |  |
|-----------|--------|-------------------|-----|--|
|           |        | RN04 – Critical   | 55  |  |
|           |        | RN52 - Recover    | 1   |  |
| October   | Band 5 | RN00 – General    | 124 |  |
|           |        | RN04 – Critical   | 133 |  |
|           |        | RN55 – Scrub      | 3   |  |
| November  | Band 5 | RN00 – General    | 215 |  |
|           |        | RN04 – Critical   | 153 |  |
|           |        | RN62 - Neonatal   | 1   |  |

2. Please confirm how many of these Nursing shifts (above) were filled by agencies per month (broken down per agency).

| September | First Point            | 16 |
|-----------|------------------------|----|
|           | Locum Vision           | 2  |
|           | Pulse                  | 1  |
|           | Your World Recruitment | 18 |
| October   | First Point            | 9  |

|          | Locum Vision           | 24 |
|----------|------------------------|----|
|          | Pulse                  | 1  |
|          | Your World Recruitment | 56 |
| November | First Point            | 10 |
|          | Locum Vision           | 72 |
|          | Your World Recruitment | 76 |

3. Please confirm how many of these Nursing shifts went unfilled (per month), for Band 2, Band 3, Band 5 and Band 6 by discipline

| September | Band 5 | RN00 | 31 |
|-----------|--------|------|----|
|           |        | RN04 | 30 |
| October   | Band 5 | RN00 | 56 |
|           |        | RN04 | 74 |
| November  | Band 5 | RN00 | 61 |
|           |        | RN04 | 82 |
|           |        | RN62 | 1  |

4. Please confirm how many shifts from September to November 2024 were filled by nonframework agencies by all disciplines and month. No non-framework usage.

5. Please confirm the charge rates agreed for any non-framework spend from September to November 2024

No non-framework usage.

- 6. Please confirm if you have a PSL for the supply of Nursing staff? Agency cascade in place.
- 7. Please confirm the number of AHP/HSS vacancies sent out to agency from September to November 2024 (split by discipline)

| September | Band 5 | TP40 | 1 |
|-----------|--------|------|---|
|           |        | TP55 | 3 |
| October   | Band 5 | TP40 | 2 |
|           |        | TP52 | 1 |
|           |        | TP55 | 2 |
| November  | Band 5 | TP40 | 6 |

- 8. Please confirm if you have a PSL for the supply of AHP/HSS staff? Agency cascade in place.
- 9. Please provide the central phone number and generic email address for your temporary staffing office (s) for Nursing and AHP/HSS? The Trust uses NHS Professionals.

The Trust does not routinely give out email addresses and direct telephone numbers of staff members, as large numbers of unsolicited emails/telephone calls, could cause disruption by blocking email accounts/telephone lines thus preventing true work-related emails/calls from being delivered. However, any of our staff can be contacted via main switchboard on 01942 244000.

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,

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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:

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

Helpline number: 0303 123 111