

FOI 2996

Date 31/05/2024

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1. For the financial years 22/23 and 23/24, how much did the trust spend on agency shifts for doctors (ranging from consultants to junior doctors), nurses and midwives?

Туре	Туре	2022/23	2023/24
Doctors	Agency Consultant	5,182,993	7,707,710
	Agency FY1 (DF)	20,252	5,349
	Agency FY2 (DF)	1,606,767	1,300,092
	Agency Specialty Doctor	1,564,698	891,603
	Agency Specialty Trainee 1-2 (DF)	1,638,871	884,057
	Agency Specialty Trainee 3-6 (DF)	2,857,588	3,279,663
Doctors Total		12,871,168	14,068,474
Nurses	Midwives	377,156	169,693
	Nurses	6,340,879	12,020,278
Nurses Total		6,718,035	12,189,971

2. For the same financial years, how many shifts did this represent? Please provide a breakdown of how many of these agency shifts were for doctors, how many were for nurses and how many were for midwives.

	2022/2023	2023/2024
Doctors	Bedford - 5,899 Luton – 5,928	Bedford - 5,885 Luton – 1,471
Nurses	13,084	25,240
Midwives	581	139

3. Please detail how many of these shifts exceeded the maximum hourly rate of 55% above a worker's basic substantive pay rate.

	2022/2023	2023/2024
Doctors	Bedford - 100%	Bedford - 100%



Nurses	1%	1%
Midwives	100%	100%

4. Of those shifts that exceeded the caps, please detail the cost of the most expensive shifts for an agency doctor, agency nurse and agency midwife.

	2022/2023	2023/2024
Doctors	Bedford - £3,186.62 Luton – 3112.68	Bedford £4,140.33 Luton – 3,228
Nurses	£612	£724
Midwives	£ 598.92	£598.92

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Yours sincerely,

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