FOI 3364

Date 18/10/2024

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. Since 2014 how many independent investigations were sanctioned by your trust and how many of those sanctioned were allocated to specifically to an organisation called ‘*NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED’*, please?

None

1. How many investigations carried out by Niche since start of 2014 were ‘Paediatric’ cases please?

None

1. *Please can you tell me the total trust spend on NICHE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CONSULTING LIMITED by financial year from 2014 to date. For the current financial year please just give me the total spend so far.*

£0

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 Yours sincerely,

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