FOI 3308

Date 28/11/2024

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. What contractual relationships are in place for supplying agency nurses and who is responsible for managing them?

Approved frameworks - The Trust

1. How many agencies are used to supply agency nurses?

41

1. Of these agencies, how many are off framework – please list them?

The Trust does not use off framework agencies

1. Since July 2024 (last 3 months), how many shifts have been filled via an off framework agency?

N/A

1. Who is your highest paid agency nurse, what is their speciality and their hourly charge?

Name and speciality is exempt under Section 40 – personal data.

Day rate £42.62 Nights & Sat £47.68 Sunday £52.31

1. Please outline your spend per agency, broken down by grade and speciality of nurse over the past 3 months?

Please see attached

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Yours sincerely,

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