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## Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Rostering.

## You asked:

- 1. Do you use Allocate for your rostering of one or more staff groups?
- 2. If yes, what is the length and value of the contracts and for which staff groups?
- 3. Do you use Allocate Job Planning of one or more staff groups?
- 4. If yes, what is the length and value of the contracts and for which staff groups?
- 5. Do you use Allocate Medic Appraisal for one or more staff groups?
- 6. If yes, what is the length and value of the contracts and for which staff groups?
- 7. Who was the person who signed off for each of the above contracts and are they still employed by the trust?

## Trust response:

1. Yes

2.

Staff Groups: - Nursing, Admin & Clerical, AHPs and Ancillary staff.

Contract length: 3 years

Contract value: - The Trust is applying Section 43(2) FOIA which provides an exemption from disclosure of information which would or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). This is a qualified exemption, and is therefore subject to the public interest test.

The Trust believes that the information requested contains details which would be likely to damage the companies ability to win new business opportunities for their services and to perform them within a commercially competitive market.

The Trust has concluded that the public interest in maintaining the exemption, and therefore protecting the commercial interests of the suppliers and preserving its ability to compete fairly in a commercial market, outweighs the public interest in disclosure in this case.

## **Supplier Transactions**

All NHS bodies are required to publish details of individual invoices and transactions that are over £25,000. This is in response to guidance from HM Treasury which sets out the scope of the data. Details can be found on our website using the following link: <a href="https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-story/finance/">www.mtw.nhs.uk/about-us/our-quality-story/finance/</a>

- 3. No
- 4. Not applicable.
- 5. No
- 6. Not applicable.
- 7. Head of Transformation. No longer employed by the Trust.