

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 6223

Please reply to: FOI Administrator Trust Management Maidstone Hospital Hermitage Lane Maidstone, Kent ME16 9QQ

Email: mtw-tr.foiadmin@nhs.net

28 July 2020

## 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 fees for the recruitment of doctors.

## You asked:

For the financial years ending April 2019 and April 2020 please can you provide the following information?

- The total amount spent in each of those years [exc. VAT] (presented as separate information, not disclosed as a total for both years) by your NHS Trust on fees for the recruitment of doctors on fixed-term or permanent contracts (not locum/hourly doctors).

These are fees paid to recruitment agencies, recruitment businesses and associated service providers and are commonly referred to as 'finder's fees'.

## Trust response:

Year ending April 2019 No fees paid / Year ending April 2020 total fees paid = £168,000.