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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 Bank and Agency Staff.

You asked:

1. Does the NHS Organisation have a Master Vend or Neutral Vend arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? This question is broken down into staff groups below. Please provide the suppliers name as well as the contract expiry (Month/Year).

i. Medical / Dental

ii. Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical

iii. Nursing and Midwifery

iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical

2. Does the NHS Organisation have a bank provider? If so, please name the provider and staff groups covered.

Please note, where the bank service is being provided in-house, but utilising Allocates BankStaff and Healthroster, please list provider as 'Allocate'.

3. Does the NHS Organisation have a Direct Engagement provider in place? (Yes / No)

The question is broken down further below:

i. If so, what is the name of the Direct Engagement provider?

ii. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, when does this contract end? (Month/Year)

iii. When this contract ends, are the NHS Organisation looking to undertake a procurement exercise and go to market, as opposed to an automatic extension? (Yes / No)

iv. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, please provide a 'Yes' or 'No' by the below staff groups if they are currently captured under the model:

Staff Group Yes / No

- Medical & Dental

- Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical
 - Non-Medical, Non-Clinical
4. Please provide 19/20 Full Financial Year agency spend figures across each of the below staff groups:
- Staff Group Agency Spend Total
- Medical & Dental
 - Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical
 - Non-Medical, Non-Clinical
 - Nursing and Midwifery
5. Please provide 19/20 Full Financial Year bank spend figures across each of the below staff groups:
- Staff Group Bank Spend Total
- Medical & Dental
 - Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical
 - Non-Medical, Non-Clinical
 - Nursing and Midwifery

Trust response:

1. Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the trust website using the following link/s: <http://www.mtw.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Temporary-staff-management-and-spend.-250620.pdf> Alternatively, from our website home page enter Temporary staff management and spend into the search bar.
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