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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 Thornbury Nursing Services.

You asked:

From 1st April 2021 to 21st May 2021 how many shifts has your Trust used Thornbury Nursing Services for?

1. Within this timeframe please list the number of shifts by ward or department that Thornbury was utilised in.

2. Please name all other 'off contract agencies' for nursing that were utilised by the Trust within this time frame. (1/4/21-21/5/21) For the purpose of definition 'off contract suppliers' would be any non-framework providers under Work Force Alliance or Health Trust Europe.

3. Within this same time frame please list all wards or departments that utilised these agencies and break the amount of shifts down per non framework supplier.

4. How many theatre shifts have been filled by all nursing agencies in the month of May 2021? Please break these down by agency (framework and non-framework)

5. What percentage of operations have been completed this year 1st January 2021-21st May 2021 compared to the same time frame last year.

Trust response:

1.5 shifts in Paediatrics

2. No other non-framework supply

3. No other non-framework supply

4. 104 shifts filled by framework agencies. The Trust is applying Section 43(2) FOIA which provides an exemption from disclosure of further detailed 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.

5. January – May 2020 – 4534 January – May 2021 – 3945 87% of the 4534 have been carried out in 2021.