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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 Off-Framework agencies.

You asked:

1.

a) Who is the head of procurement at your Trust responsible for approving nursing healthcare workers agency use?

b) Who is the temporary/ flexible Staff only responsible for the management of this service?

2.

Please provide the contract information in relation to both question 1 a) and b) 3.

Please can you outline your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?

a) RGNs (ward nurse) band 5

b) RCNs band 5

c) Healthcare assistance band 2

d) RMNs band 5

e) specialist ITU nurses band 5 and 6

f) CPNs band 6

g) Scrub nurses band 5 and band 6

h) ODP band 5 and band 6

i) Physiotherapist

j) Speech Therapist

k) Paramedic band 5

4.

Following the same breakdown of staff groups in question three how many of framework shifts have been unfilled between September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?

5.

Since the start of January 2019 to present please provide the current charge rate from Off Framework agencies nursing / healthcare worker providers a clear breakdown of the workers' pay rate and agency commission? 6.

Based on the above information

a. who are your current Off Framework agencies and

*b.* how many shifts have been booked for each month from September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?

7.

Can you please provide the charge rates for the below nursing / healthcare worker levels that Off Framework have been charging you since September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?

a) RGNs (ward nurse) band 5

b) RCNs band 5

c) Healthcare assistance band 2

d) RMNs band 5

e) specialist ITU nurses band 5 and 6

f) CPNs band 6

g) Scrub nurses band 5 and band 6

h) ODP band 5 and 6

i) Physiotherapist

j) Speech therapist

k) Paramedic band 5

Trust response:

1.

a) Section 40 Exemption falls under the remit of the Chief People Officer further information can be found on our website.

b) Section 40 Exemption falls under the remit of the Chief People Officer further information can be found on our website.

2. Section 40 Exemption falls under the remit of the Chief People Officer further information can be found on our website.

3.

a) The Trust is applying Section 43 of the Act to this question.

b) The Trust is applying Section 43 of the Act to this question.

c) Not applicable (N/A)

d) N/A

e) N/A

f) N/A

g) N/A

h) N/A

i) N/A

j) N/A

k) N/A

4. There have been no off framework shifts unfilled.

5. The Trust is applying Section 43 of the Act to this question.

6.

a. Thornbury Nursing Services

b. Thornbury filled 200 shifts between Sept 2019 to July 2021

7. As above