

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 8106

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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 Agency Nursing, Master Vendor and Neutral Vendor.

*You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.
For nursing registered and unregistered please could you share the below agency data:*

1. *For registered Nursing*
 - a. *How many hours were used in the last year?*
 - b. *What is your spend over the corresponding period?*
 2. *For unregistered Nursing*
 - a. *How many hours were used in the last year?*
 - b. *What is your spend over the corresponding period?*
- Please could you also confirm if you have a:*
3. *Master vendor and their contract end date?*
 4. *Neutral vendor and their contract end date?*

Trust response:

1.
 - a. We can provide the number of shifts only in response to this question – 6351
 - b. 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: <https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/recent-foi-responses/> the link should take you to the Data to Support FOI FAQ's page where you need to click on the Finance dropdown.
Alternatively, from our website home page, click the Freedom of Information Tab, then the Data to Support FOI FAQ's tab and then the Finance dropdown

at the bottom of the page where you will find all the information. If the document does not open please copy and paste the link into your browser. Please note the spreadsheet takes some time to download. This information is updated on a regular basis and is exempt under Section 22 of the Act.

On the spreadsheet agency nurses are coded as AGN and registered nurses are coded as Band 5 and above. Registered nurses would be AGN5, AGN6, AGN7 etc and unregistered nurses would be ANG3 for example. This information can be found in column K of the spreadsheet.

2.

a. We can provide the number of shifts only in response to this question – 3842

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3. Not applicable

4. Not applicable