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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 HCA agency fees.

You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust. Question 1 - For the timescale from the 1st April 2023 until 30th April 2023, details of the lowest, highest and average fee paid to agencies providing HCA's for band 5, 6 and 7.

Question 2 - For the single week of the 16th July 2023 until 22nd July 2023, details only of the average fee paid to agencies providing HCA's for band 5, 6 and 7.

Trust response:

The Trusts systems do not hold details of the fees paid to agencies in a reportable format. It may be held on other databases but these would need to be manually checked in order to confirm. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.