

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 9332

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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 Locum doctors.

*You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.*

*1. In the period 1st May 2024 to 31st July 2024 please provide a breakdown of:*

- Total trust spend with framework agencies for locum doctors*

*Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:*

- Spend per grade*
- Spend per specialty*
- Spend per agency name*

*2. In the period 1st May 2024 to 31st July 2024 please provide a breakdown of:*

- Total trust spend with off-framework agencies for locums doctors*

*Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:*

- Spend per grade*
- Spend per specialty*
- Spend per agency name*

*3. In the period 1st May 2024 to 31st July 2024 please provide a breakdown of:*

- Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum doctors*

*Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:*

- Spend per grade*
- Spend per specialty*
- Spend per internal or associated external provider*

*4. Please confirm your allocated budget for agency locum doctors for the period 1st May 2024 to 31st July 2024.*

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: <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.

Section 43 is being applied to the information relating to the spend per agency name.

2. The Trust does not use any off frame-work agencies for doctors.

3. The Trust Bank is run in-house. 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.

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4. The budget for medical agency for 1st May – 31st July 2024 (Periods 2 to 4) is £573,453

Please note: This does not include medical bank.