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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference:
Temporary Staff Management 23/24

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1a. Do you have a master vendor (MV) or neutral vendor (NV) arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? If so, please state which arrangement is in place		Yes	Section 21	Under Section 21 of the Act, the Trust is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/media/muwn1ypt/foi-53369-temporary-staff-management-22-23-01122023.pdf
1b. What is the name of the MV/NV provider(s) and what staffing groups do they source? e.g. medical, nursing etc.				
1c. As part of the arrangement, is any NV technology provided by the supplier to help manage the procurement of agency staff?				
1d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the supplier (dd/mm/yy)				
2a. Does the organisation use a third party to provide a Direct Engagement/Outsourced Employment Solution? (This is where the NHS organisation sources agency staff via a recruitment agency but hold a direct contract between the organisation and the worker				
2b. What is the name of the Direct Engagement (DE)/Outsourced Employment supplier (e.g Staff Direct/247Time/Allocate/RL Datix, PlusUs, Retinue, Liaison, NHS Professionals, Agile Workforce/Holt, Litmus/Medacs etc.)				
2c. Under the DE/Outsourced Employment arrangement, which staffing groups are managed? For example; Medical, Admin, Scientific staff. Please list all applicable				
2d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the DE supplier (dd/mm/yy)				
2e. How much did the organisation pay the supplier in 23/24 (April 2023 to March 2024) for the provision of the direct engagement service?	£88,487.00			
3a. Does the organisation use a third-party Vendor Management System for the supply of nurse agency staff?	Please see Q1a -2d			
3b. Who supplies your Vendor Management System? E.g. RL Datix/Allocate, NHSP etc.				

3c. Please provide the contract start and end date for this provider (dd/mm/yy)				
4a. Please name the technology provider used to manage the supply of your bank staff, inclusive of any outsourced or managed arrangements (i.e. NHSP, Bank Partners, RL Datix/Allocate, Liaison, Patchwork, Locum's Nest etc). If more than one supplier is use				
4b. Please name the staffing group each provider is used for e.g. medical, nursing, AHPs, admin and clerical				
4c. Please provide the contract start and end date for each bank supplier (dd/mm/yy)				
4d. How much did the organisation pay the supplier(s) in 23/24 for the provision of the bank service?				

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether we have complied with our obligations under the Act and can require us to remedy any problems. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot decide unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/>.

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Yours faithfully

Information Governance Team

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