

Freedom of Information Request Ref: UHB 18-242

Date 29 June 2018

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

- 1. How many agencies do you engage with for your recruitment of temporary nurses and health care assistants and can you please list them?
 All nursing agency supply is managed through our one neutral vendor.
- 2. How many agencies do you engage with for your recruitment of permanent nurses and can you please list them?

 We do not use external recruitment agencies.
- 3. What has your spend been on temporary nurses? £1.724m for the period (01/01/2018 31/03-2018)
- 4. What has your spend been on permanent nurses in 2017? We do not use external recruitment agencies.
- 5. How many temporary shifts have been released to agencies for mental health nurses?
 192
- 6. How many temporary shifts have been released to agencies for general nurses? 4278
- 7. How many temporary shifts have been released to agencies for theaters nurses?
- 8. How many temporary shifts have been released to agencies for A&E nurses?
- 9. How many temporary shifts have been released to agencies for Community nurses?

We do not provide community nurses.

10. How many temporary shifts that have been released to agencies for mental health nurses go unfilled?

11. How many temporary shifts that have been released to agencies for general nurses go unfilled?

2215

12. How many temporary shifts that have been released to agencies for theaters nurses go unfilled?

There are 14 registered nurses across BCH and BEH and inclusive of 1 recovery BRI. Please be advised the figures for 'nurses' includes theatres practitioners.

13. How many temporary shifts that have been released to agencies for A&E nurses go unfilled?

99 registered nurses BCH. 140 adults

14. How many temporary shifts that have been released to agencies for Community nurses go unfilled?

We do not provide community nurses.

15. Are all temporary shifts released to all agencies at the same time or is there a tier system?

The Trust uses a tier system.

16. Do you have any off framework spend for temporary agency staff? Yes

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, 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:

Trust Secretary
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely,

FOI Administrator