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Our Ref: FOI 2825

Thank you for your request concerning the use of nursing and support workers agencies.

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

I would like the following information please on the Trusts' use of agency Mental Health Nurses and agency Support Workers/HCAs.

- 1. How many agencies currently supply mental health nurses or mental health support workers, either contracted or on an adhoc basis to HPFT.

As explained in my email of 9 February 2018, we are a large Mental Health (MH) and Learning Disability (LD) Trust that covers four counties; Hertfordshire, Norfolk, Essex and Buckinghamshire. Unfortunately, it is not possible to provide you with the requested breakdown just for mental health departments so we have included Learning Disability in all instances.

We only utilise agencies through the Crown Commercial Services (CCS) framework. For a list of suppliers please follow the link.

- 2. What are the names of the agencies that currently supply mental health nurses and support workers, either contracted or on an adhoc basis to HPFT?

Table with header '2016/17 CCS Framework Agencies used by HPFT' and a list of agency names: ABN AMRO Commercial, Care Prov, Day Webster, DRC, Eden Brown, Falcon, HCL, MIND, MSI, MyLocums, Network Ventures, PB, PULSE, REMEDY, Sanctuary, Service Care.

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3. **What was the total spend to each of the top 5 agencies during the last 3 financial years that currently supply mental health nurses and support workers, either contracted or on an adhoc basis to HPFT.**

Top 5 Agencies	15/16	16/17	17/18	Total
	<b>Amount paid to top 5 agencies</b>			
Abn Amro Commercial	£1,057,110	£1,650,536	£1,097,156	£3,804,802
Sugarman Group Ltd	£1,022,170	£815,823	£543,566	£2,381,559
Msi Recruitment Ltd	£1,106,008	£641,193	£444,047	£2,191,248
Sanctuary Personnel	£416,420	£403,669	£190,203	£1,010,292
Network Ventures Ltd	£300,893	£192,604	£193,009	£686,505

Note: the figures quoted are the total amounts paid to the top 5 agencies within the specified years.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust’s complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

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Information Rights Officer**

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

