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Thank you for your request concerning Master Vendors Direct Engagement for Bank and Agency Staff.

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

QUESTIONS

1. Does the organisation use a third party to provide a Direct Engagement (DE) Solution?
2. Please state the name of the Direct Engagement supplier
3. Please state all staffing groups that are managed via your direct engagement provider; for example; Medical, Admin, Scientific/Therapeutic staff.
4. Please state the start date of the contract with the DE supplier (month/year)
5. Please state the end date of the contract with the DE supplier (month/year)
6. What was the annual cost to the organisation for the provision of the direct engagement service in 19/20?
7. Did the organisation procure these services via a framework? If so, please provide the full name of the framework
8. Please state the name of the technology provider used to manage the supply of your medical bank staff and nursing bank staff, inclusive of any outsourced or managed arrangements (i.e. NHSP, Patchwork, Allocate, Liaison, PlusUs, Locum's Nest etc., please state if in-house)
9. Please state the start date of the contract with your medical bank provider (month/year)
10. Please state the end date of the contract with your medical bank provider (month/year)
11. What was the annual cost to the organisations for the provision of bank provider services/software in 19/20?
12. Did the organisation procure these services via a framework? If so, please provide the full name of the framework
13. What was the 2019/20 financial year agency spend for Medical locums?
14. What was the 2019/20 financial year agency spend for Allied Health Professionals (including Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical)?
15. What was the 2019/20 financial year agency spend for Nursing and Midwifery staff?
16. What is the forecasted 2020/21 financial agency spend for the staff groups listed in 4a, 4b and 4c.

ANSWER

The answers to all of the above questions are already in the public domain, albeit in a different order¹. Please follow this [link](#) to a previously published response. (FOI 3632 and its attachment)

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

¹ Section 21 – Information is accessible through other means

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

Sue Smith

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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](#).

