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Thank you for your request concerning Medical Agency Cascade.

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

1) Which locum/staffing agencies have you engaged to be part of your medical (doctors) agency cascade? Please provide the names of the agencies split into the relevant tiers. If you do not use a tier system, please explain how vacancies are cascaded with agencies.

- Tier 1 - Preferred Supplier List (PSL) agencies contacted first
Accident & Emergency, Medacs, Athona, DRC, HCL, ID Medical, Interact Medical, Medsol, National Locums, Pertemps, ProMedical, Pulse and Unite Medical
- Tier 2 - Framework
CAMHS Professionals, Locum Reach, Venture, Charter House, NC Healthcare, Sensible Staffing, Supreme Locums, Your World Recruitment, Locum People & Locum Staff Recruitment

2) Please provide a breakdown of the proportion of medical (doctor) locum hours booked through each of these tiers for the last three years. If this is not available, please provide a breakdown of the proportion of medical (doctor) locum spend incurred through each of these tiers for the last three years. If only recent years are available, please provide what you have.

Financial Year	Hours booked through Tier 1
2018/2019	18,185 hours and 15minutes
2019/2020	16,960 hours and 30 minutes
2020/2021	11,038 hours and 30 minutes

3) What is the protocol for releasing medical (doctor) vacancies to each of your tiers?

48 hours to PSL, after this cascading to framework agencies.

4) When are the current arrangements relating to your agency cascade in place until?

PSL to be reviewed imminently.

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

Sue Smith

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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](#).

