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Our Ref: FOI/05452

Thank you for your request concerning locum agency doctor.

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

**Please can I request the below information:**

- 1) **In the period 1st August 2024 to 31st October 2024 please provide a breakdown of:**
- **Total trust spend with framework agencies for locum doctors**

**Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:**

- **Spend per grade**
- **Spend per specialty**
- **Spend per agency name**

As a Trust we work in financial years; but to be helpful please follow this [link](#) to a previously published response giving the spend for April to Sept 2024.<sup>1</sup> (FOI/05416)

As explained in the previous response we are unable to provide the breakdown by Agency name.

- 2) **In the period 1st August 2024 to 31st October 2024 please provide a breakdown of:**
- **Total trust spend with off-framework agencies for locums doctors**

**Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:**

- **Spend per grade**
- **Spend per specialty**
- **Spend per agency name**

The Trust does not work off- framework.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 21- Information is available through other means.

- 3) **In the period 1st August 2024 to 31st October 2024 please provide a breakdown of:**
- **Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum doctors**
- Please provide a further breakdown for locum doctors by:**
- **Spend per grade**
  - **Spend per specialty**
  - **Spend per internal or associated external provider**

There is a lot of information around our locum doctor spend already in the public domain<sup>1</sup>. Please follow this [link](#) to our disclosure Log. Again under Section 16 – Duty to provide advice and assistance [FOI 5320](#) provides the bank spend for May to July 2024.

- 4) **Please confirm your allocated budget for agency locum doctors for the period 1st August 2024 to 31st October 2024**

We do not allocate specific budgets for agency staff.

- 5) **Please confirm the name of the framework used for the supply of locum doctors in your trust.**

This information is already in the public domain<sup>1</sup>. Please follow this [link](#) to our frequently asked questions page.

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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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 click [here](#).