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Dear

### Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

#### ***Requested information:***

- The total Trust expenditure on framework agencies for the provision of Registered General Nurses, Registered Mental Health Nurses, and Health Care Assistants from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Spend 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2024 – 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	£000
Registered Nurses	491
Unqualified Nurses	102

- The total Trust expenditure on off-framework agencies for the provision of Registered General Nurses, Registered Mental Health Nurses, and Health Care Assistants for the same period.

Spend 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2024 – 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	£000
Registered Nurses	272
Unqualified Nurses	31

**Please note the Agency figures represent purchase ledger data for Registered Nurses and Unqualified Nurses (HCAs are coded as such). We do not have a separate code for Registered Mental Health Nurses.**

- The total Trust expenditure through the internal Trust bank from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 for Nurses, and Health Care Assistants. **£2,290k**
- The total number of Nursing and Health Care Assistant shifts booked during this period through off Framework Agency
  - HCSW 126**
  - Registered nurses 120**

- The total number of Nursing and Health Care Assistant shifts booked above NHSE capped rates during this period. **246 shifts.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. 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: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. 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.

Yours sincerely



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