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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 22nd November 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:

Could you please break down your spend on agency staff and locum doctors over the past three financial years (2023-24, 2022-23, 2021-22)?

Please could you split the spend up into:

- Agency & locum nurses
- Agency & locum doctors
- Other agency staff (not doctors or nurses)

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Staff Type	£000	£000	£000
Agency Nurses	964	1,511	2,139
Locum Doctors	2,790	2,817	2,539
Other Agency Staff	689	1,064	750
Total Agency	4,443	5,392	5,428

If it is possible to access data from later this year (from April 2024 onwards), then please do also include spend up to the most recent month you have (and please share it by month).

	2024/25							Total YTD 2024/25
	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	
Staff Type	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Agency Nurses	115	18	22	29	27	21	20	251
Locum Doctors	204	233	273	214	200	159	132	1,413
Other Agency Staff	49	56	1	0	4	3	0	112
Total Agency	367	307	295	244	230	182	152	1,777

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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