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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 25th 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:

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please could you provide the below information:

1. What was the Trust's total insourcing spending for the last three financial years (ending March)? **0**
2. What was the Trust's total insourcing spending on a) ophthalmology b) gastroenterology c) dermatology d) ENT for the last three financial years (ending March)? **N/A**
3. What was the Trust's total insourcing spending on a) 18 Week Support b) Medinet c) HBS UK (Healthcare Business Solutions UK) **0**

Insourcing is a term used to describe the provision of medical specialty, consultant-led surgical or clinical services, which are deployed to a participating authority within existing structures to utilise spare, out-of-hours capacity, typically at weekends and evenings, within a Trust. Insourcing is not the deployment of temporary workers or the use of temporary staffing agencies to support with capacity and demand planning, and the supply or management of temporary workers into a Trust.

Please see this for the full definition <https://www.england.nhs.uk/long-read/guidance-for-trusts-on-the-use-of-insourcing/>

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.

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Yours sincerely



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