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Dear

## Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

### Requested information:

Please can you provide the below information:

1. In the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 please provide a breakdown of:  
Total Trust spend with framework agencies for locum nurses

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- Spend per band
- Spend per specialty
- Spend per agency name

On Framework Nurses		Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24	Grand Total
Specialty	Supplier	£000	£000	£000	£000
ACUTE SERVICES	DAY WEBSTER	1	2	3	6
GENERAL PRACTICE	ID MEDICAL	1	2	7	10
LD & CAMHS INPATIENTS	DAY WEBSTER	7	5	9	20
NEURO & REHAB	DAY WEBSTER	1	5	6	12
SUBSTANCE MISUSE	DAY WEBSTER	6	5	0	11
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>60</b>

2. In the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 please provide a breakdown of:  
Total Trust spend with off framework agencies for locum nurses

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- Spend per band
- Spend per specialty
- Spend per agency name

Off Framework Nurses		Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24	Grand Total
Specialty	Supplier	£000	£000	£000	£000
LD & CAMHS INPATIENTS	THORNBURY NURSING SERVICES	5	1	0	5
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

3. In the period 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 please provide a breakdown of: Total Trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum nurses

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- Spend per band
- Spend per specialty
- Spend per agency name

Internal Bank Nurses	Oct 24	Nov 24	Dec 24	Grand Total
Specialty	£000	£000	£000	£000
ACUTE SERVICES & URGENT CARE	95	83	88	265
COMMUNITY	10	8	8	26
DIR OF QUALITY AND NURSING	0	0	0	0
PEOPLE AND OD	2	3	4	8
PRIMARY CARE DIRECTORATE	2	2	0	4
SPECIALIST SERVICES	21	15	13	49
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>352</b>

4. Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024). **151**
5. Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked above NHSE capped rates during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024). **35**

**Please note breakdown by band is not available.**

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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