

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 16th January making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

1. Please could you confirm the names of the top 8 locum agencies you have the most spend with within AHP/HSS there at the trust from the financial year 2017 – 2018
2. Please could you state the utilisation rate for each agency that has been achieved? This should amount to the total value of AHP locum spend supplied by each agency during the 2017 -2018 financial year as a percentage of total AHP locum spend in the same period.
3. Please can you break down your total spend on AHP/HSS agency staff during the financial year 2017 – 2018 for the specialisms below?
 - Radiographers
 - Sonographers

(Please combine Radiographers and Sonographers if it's not possible to separate them!)

- Clinical Physiologists
- Audiologists
- Speech Therapists
- Physiotherapists
- Dietetics
- Occupational Therapists
- Podiatrists

- Biomedical Scientists
- Pharmacists
- Mortuary Technician
- Sterile Services Technician

Response:

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HCL Healthcare
Care4Health
Piers Meadow recruitment
Sugerman
MSI
RIG Healthcare
Just OT
Maxima Group

2 & 3: The Trust is also not able to comply with your request as to do would require it to exceed the appropriate limit. Whilst information is held such is the nature of the records that considerable analysis and review would be necessary and a minimum of 58 hours work would be required to comply with your request. The appropriate limit set in regulation by section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act is 18 hours.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Information Governance