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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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**In annual accounts per notes of expenditure there will be a figure "purchase of care from non-HSC bodies"**

- 1. I want this spend each year for every year that the trust has existed.**

**Response:**

Please refer to the published Annual Report and Accounts for each year on the Trust website [Annual Reports | Southern Health & Social Care Trust](#). The spend on 'purchase of care from non-HSC bodies' is disclosed under Note 3 Operating Expenses.

- 2. For each year on a spreadsheet list the spend amount and who to. the total of this should match the total spend in each year as per question 1.**

**Response:**

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Public Authorities are not obliged to comply with an information request where to do so would exceed the cost limit.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide the information you have requested as it is not centrally held and to do so would require a manual trawl of records. The cost of locating and retrieving the information exceeds the "appropriate limit" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. It has been estimated that it would take more than 18 hours to locate and retrieve the requested information. To obtain this information would exceed the £450 limit and is therefore cost prohibitive.

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