

FOI 3111

5th June 2025**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

Question 1. Which software provider does the Trust use for "direct engagement" management of temporary medical staff?

Response:

Although the Southern Trust understands that there is a public interest in being open and transparent, the information including manufacturer, models and replacement timeframes is business sensitive and has the potential to leave the Trust vulnerable to cyber-attacks. By disclosing these details, this information could prejudice and compromise the Trust's network/IT security.

In accordance with **Section 31 (1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Law enforcement** – the prevention or detection of crime, such information is exempt from disclosure.

We believe that putting this information into the public domain would make the Trust more vulnerable to cyber-attacks. The public interest in maintaining the security of our systems and providing safe health and social care to our patients/clients outweighs the public interest in disclosure of this information.

Question 2. Which software provider does the Trust use for the management of temporary medical staff?

Response:

Please see response for Question 1.

Question 3. Which software provider does the Trust use for master vendor management software?

Response:

Please see response for Question 1.

Question 4. What software provider does the Trust use for nurse rostering software?

Response:

Please see response for Question 1.

Question 5. What is the contractual end date of your current direct engagement software?

Response:

Managed regional by Business Services Organisation on behalf of HSCNI.

Question 6. What is the contractual end date of your current temporary medical staff management software?

Response:

Please see response to Q5.

Question 7. What is the contractual end date of your current master vendor management software?

Response:

Please see response to Q5.

Question 8. What is the contractual end date of your current nurse rostering software?

Response:

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