Southern Health and Social Care Trust

Information Governance Team

FOI 3211

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

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1. **Do you use insourcing providers?**
   Note: Insourcing definition as per NHS SBS copied at the end of this email / form.

   Response:
   Yes

2. **If yes to the previous question (use of insourcing providers) what is the total value of spend, listed by speciality and insourcing provider, used for Apr-24-Mar-25?**
   Note: if an insourcing provider covers multiple specialties, please list that provider multiple times (one row for each specialty)

   Response:

Specialty (e.g. general surgery, ophthalmology etc)	**Insourcing provider (fill empty rows with provider name, add rows if required)**	**Total spend (Apr-24-Mar-25)**
General Surgery – Provision of Breast Services	352 Healthcare	£230,887.50
Diagnostics: Renal of MRI Scanner & Staffing costs	Fairford	£906,280.70

3. **Please list below contracts with insourcing providers in the current financial year Apr-25-Mar-26**

   Response:

Specialty (e.g. general surgery, ophthalmology etc)	**Insourcing provider (fill empty rows with provider name, add rows if required)**	**Contract start date**	**Contract end date (please leave blank if not set)**	**Formal tender process conducted?**	**Procurement framework used for award (for example, NHS SBS)**	**Estimated contract value**
General Surgery – Provision of	352 Healthcare	13 February 2024	31 March 2024, with the option to extend to 31	No	No framework available - Direct Award Contract	£900,000

Breast Services			December 2025 (currently in extension period)			
Diagnostics Renal of MRI Scanner & Staffing Costs	Fairford	05 July 2023	31 March 2026, with the option to extend for a further 18 months – 30 September 2027.	No	Managed Equipment and Clinical Service Solutions and Associated Goods between NHS Supply Chain (MECSS) Framework Reference 2021/S 000-019257	£659,100 (At time of award – Now in contract extension, with further extension available. Contract Value is now approx. £3,453,320

What is insourcing? [NHS England SBS definition]
Insourcing is defined as the employment of a third-party organisation to perform medical services/procedures on trust premises. It differs to locum and agency staffing supply with the full end to end service being provided, not just staff.
The supplier uses the NHS organisation's premises and equipment to deliver these services. Insourcing is largely focused on secondary care and the services are generally used out of hours when the premises/equipment is not being used by the NHS, thus making efficient use of the services.
Insourcing is designed to be results driven by utilising additional capacity provided by a supplier. This could be, for example, but not limited to, reducing patient waiting lists by a certain number over a given period or to triage a certain number of patients within a given period. Virtual patient appointments may also be undertaken by the insourced provider.

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