

FOI 3715

1st May 2026

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- Total trust spend with framework agencies for locum nurses

Response: £ 4,305,066

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- Spend per band

Response:

Band	£
B2	779,013
B3	176,373
B4	10,450
B5	3,339,231
	4,305,066

- Spend per specialty

Response:

Speciality	£
A&E	970,897
Cardiology	126,636
Children With Disability	22,166
General Medicine	548,083
General Medicine & Gastroenterology	84,271
General Medicine & Geriatric Medicine	217,568
General Medicine / Nephrology	317,459
General Medicine and Respiratory Medicine	160,000
General Medicine, Gynaecology	45,901
General Surgery	45,241
General Surgery and General Medicine	313,395
General Surgery, Urology, ENT & Gynaecology	18,016
Geriatric Medicine	125,472
Geriatric Medicine & Stroke Rehabilitation	103,425
Gynaecology	15,419
Haematology	42,083
Haematology / Clinical Oncology	7,614
LD Statutory Daycare	2,455
Learning Disability	710,871
Mental Health	1,747
Psychiatric Intensive Care	273,191
Specialist nursing	1,924
Stat Residential Homes	7,898
Supported and other accommodation - Independent	2,965
Supported and other accommodation - Statutory	19,766
Trauma & Orthopaedics	120,604
	4,305,066

- Spend per agency name**

Response: All data analysis per Paid invoices with detailed speciality/discipline based on CEC guidance

Supplier	£
ALLIED AND CLINICAL RECRUITMENTS	152,369
ANNS NURSING CARE	61,332
AXIS NURSING AGENCY	418,360
BFS HEALTHCARE LTD	31,457
CONCEPT CARE SOLUTIONS	151,383
DIRECT MEDICS LIMITED	189,664
FIRST CHOICE SELECTION SERVICES	21,115
FRONTLINE RECRUITMENT GROUP LTD	511,464
JARK BELFAST LIMITED	583
KINGDOM HEALTHCARE LIMITED	347
KNOCKDENE HEALTHCARE	21,071
LEADCARE NURSING AGENCY LTD	18,911
MBANDS LTD TA MB&S HEALTHCARE	12,536
MEDLOCUMS RECRUITMENT LIMITED	608,269
MPA RECRUITMENT	124,026
NC HEALTHCARE LIMITED	441,329
NEXT STEP NURSING LTD	148,162
NURSING & CARING DIRECT	55,238
PURE HEALTHCARE GROUP LIMITED	154,089
RED GROUP PERSONNEL LTD	87,866
RUTLEDGE RECRUITMENT LTD	69,145
THE PLACEMENT GROUP T/A JUSTNURSES	782,434
TOTAL CARE RECRUITMENT LIMITED	212,818
TOTAL TALENT MANAGEMENT	12,487
VIVID HEALTHCARE SEARCH LTD	18,611
	4,305,066

In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- **Total trust spend with off framework agencies for locum nurses**

Response: £3,819

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- **Spend per band**

Response:

Band	£
B2	3,819

- **Spend per specialty**

Response:

Specialty	£
District nursing	3,819

- **Spend per agency name**

Response: *All data analysis per Paid invoices with detailed speciality/discipline based on CEC guidance*

Supplier	£
NIGHTINGALE CARE HOME	3,819

In the period 1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026 please provide a breakdown of:

- **Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum nurses**

Response: £5,435,310

Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

- **Spend per band**

Response:

Band	£
B2	866,430
B3	1,984,588
B4	6
B5	1,931,423
B6	425,013
B7	219,646
B8a	8,004
B8b	200
	5,435,310

- **Spend per specialty**

Response:

Speciality	£
A&E	450,701
Acute Care at Home	7,777
Cardiology	120,062
Children With Disability	52,364
Community Psychiatric Nursing	1,154
District nursing	167,854
Domiciliary Care	21,711
Eating Disorders	14,232
Family Planning Services	2,935
General Medicine	506,659
General Medicine & Gastroenterology	106,039
General Medicine & Geriatric Medicine	183,510
General Medicine / Cardiology	17,838
General Medicine / Nephrology	201,131
General Medicine and Respiratory Medicine	71,650
General Medicine, Gynaecology	39,115
General Medicine, Rheumatology and Neurology	8,438
General Surgery	119,572
General Surgery & Gastroenterology	5,738
General Surgery and General Medicine	170,289
General Surgery, Urology, ENT & Gynaecology	39,043
Genito Urinary Medicine	5,446
Geriatric Medicine	577,271
Geriatric Medicine & Stroke Rehabilitation	367,520
GP Out of Hours	29,374
Gynaecology	83,405
Haematology	39,592
Haematology / Clinical Oncology	705
Health visiting	111,575
Home Treatment Crisis Response	1,498
Intensive Care Unit	9,836
LD Statutory Daycare	23,860
Learning Disability	174,409
Learning Disability Nursing	15
Mental Health	692,339
Neonatal	7,034
Nephrology	25,510
Obstetrics	148,102
Old Age Psychiatry	2,631
Other	16,845
Paediatrics	53,868
Pre-operative Assessment	15,130
Psychiatric Intensive Care	135,355
School Nursing	24,080
Specialist nursing	65
Stat Home Respite Mental Health	31,592
Stat Residential Homes	66,922
Statutory Daycare	11,886
Step-Up/Step-Down	1,274
Supported and other accommodation - Independent	74,165
Supported and other accommodation - Statutory	174,063
Trauma & Orthopaedics	103,893
Treatment room nurses	110,378
Trust Managed GP's	7,856
	5,435,310

- **Spend per agency name**

Internal Trust Bank Jan 26 – Mar 26

Response: Total number of agency shifts booked from 01/01/2026 to 31/03/2026 inclusive was 7873

- 1. 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 (1st January 2026 to 31st March 2026**

Response: NHSE is not used in Northern Ireland

- 2. Please confirm the framework you utilise for nursing agency staff.**

Response: BSO Framework - Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers 3063890 commenced 15/05/2023

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