

FOI1913

23rd October 2023

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Sourced Staffing Arrangements

Question 1a. Do you have a master vendor (MV) or neutral vendor (NV) arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? If so, please state which arrangement is in place

Frameworks in place for Nursing and Non-Nursing which are managed by our Pals, BSO team.

1b. What is the name of the MV/NV provider(s) and what staffing groups do they source? e.g. medical, nursing etc.

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1c. As part of the arrangement, is any technology provided by the supplier to help manage the procurement of agency staff?

No

1d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the supplier (dd/mm/yy)

N/A

Direct Engagement

2a. Does the organisation use a third party to provide a Direct Engagement/Outsourced Employment Solution? (This is where the NHS organisation sources agency staff via a recruitment agency but hold a direct contract between the organisation and the worker - there is often VAT savings associated to this employment model)

No

2b. What is the name of the Direct Engagement (DE)/Outsourced Employment supplier (e.g 247Time/Allocate, PlusUs, Retinue, Liaison etc.)

N/A

2c. Under the DE/Outsourced Employment arrangement, which staffing groups are managed? For example; Medical, Admin, Scientific staff. Please list all applicable

N/A

2d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the DE supplier (dd/mm/yy)

N/A

2f. How much did the organisation pay the supplier in 22/23 (April 2022 to March 2023) for the provision of the direct engagement service?

N/A

Vendor Management System for Nurse Agency

3a. Does the organisation use a third-party Vendor Management System for the supply of nurse agency staff?

Southern Trust Bank office use the Allocate system

3b. Who supplies your Vendor Management System? E.g. Allocate, NHSP etc.

Southern Trust use Allocate system for our Bank Nurse Office

3c. Please provide the contract start and end date for this provider (dd/mm/yy)

1st Jan 2019 – 31st Dec 2023

Bank Management

4a. Please name the technology provider used to manage the supply of your bank staff, inclusive of any outsourced or managed arrangements (i.e. NHSP, Bank Partners, Allocate, Liaison, Patchwork, Locum's Nest etc). If more than one supplier is used, please name all suppliers

Allocate

4b. Please name the staffing group each provider is used for e.g. medical, nursing, AHPs, admin and clerical

Nursing

**4c. Please provide the contract start and end date for each bank supplier
(dd/mm/yy)**

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**4d. How much did the organisation pay the supplier(s) in 22/23 for the provision
of the bank service**

This information is not readily available; we pay Allocate for the number of licences we purchase.

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