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Date: 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023  
Ref: CORP 2023-034

Dear \*\*\*\*\*

**Freedom of Information request: Agency Nurse Recruitment: CORP 2023 - 034**

Thank you for your request for the following information which we received on the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023.

Your Request:

- 1. What contractual relationships are in place for supplying agency nurses and who is responsible for working with the agencies to ensure shifts are covered across the health board's hospitals? Please supply their email address and contact telephone number. If there is more than one person please specify which hospital they are responsible for along with their email address and contact number(s)*
- 2. How many agencies are used to supply agency nurses?*
- 3. Please outline your spend for the last 6 months per agency broken down by hospital*
- 4. Do you have a PSL in place? Preferred Supplier List. If so, please list the name of the agencies.*

The Trust's response:

The Trust has reviewed your request which is correctly formatted and complies with Section 8 of the Freedom of Information Act.

In terms of question 1, the Trust has a legal obligation to comply with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the retained EU GDPR 679/2016 (known as UK GDPR). As you have requested information about someone other than yourself, the Trust has applied an absolute Exemption under Section 40(1) and (2)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

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(1) Any information to which a request for information relates is exempt information if it constitutes personal data of which the applicant is the data subject.

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which does not fall within subsection (1)

Accordingly, the Trust will only provide information in response to questions 2 – 4 above.

In answer to question 2, The Trust only engages the services of agency HCSW where a patient needs enhanced or 1-1 supervision. MPS who are part of all-Wales procurement framework provide this service.

In answer to question 3, the Trust's spend for this service for the last 6 months is £48,558.95, further details are shown below:

Total cost from P05-P10 -

P05	P06	P07	P08	P09	P10
£901.45	£2,720.70	£3,012.19	£8,884.00	£23,282.79	£9,757.82

Finally, to answer question 4, the Trust is a public body which is subject to the Public Contract Regulations 2015, the Trust does not operate a preferred suppliers list.

I trust this answers your request for information, however, should you not be satisfied with the information supplied or the process of supplying it, you have a right to complain and request a review.

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You should forward your complaint to:-

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Should you wish to take your complaint further, if you are still unhappy with the decision after review, you can contact the:-

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Churchill Way,  
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Telephone: 0330 414 6421  
email: [wales@ico.org.uk](mailto:wales@ico.org.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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