

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
Ref: CORP 2024 - 153

Dear xxx

**Freedom of Information request: Direct Engagement for Agency use (CORP 2024 – 153)**

Thank you for your request for information which the Trust received on 13th August 2024)

Your Request:

*Please confirm whether you utilise a Direct-Engagement model for agency usage - if so, please confirm the name of Direct-Engagement provider?*

*Please confirm the specialties used under your Direct-Engagement model – e.g.*

- Doctors
- Nursing
- AHP/HSS

*Please confirm the spend via your Direct-Engagement model for the period April 2024 to July 2024. Please break this down by:*

- Doctors per month
- Nursing per month
- AHP/HSS per month

*Please confirm the spend via Non Direct-Engagement for the period April 2024 to July 2024. Please break this down by:*

- Doctors per month
  - Grade
  - Sub-specialty
- Nursing per month
  - Band
  - Sub-specialty
- AHP/HSS per month
  - Band
  - Sub-specialty

Please find the Trust's response below:

The Trust does not undertake Direct Engagement arrangements.

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**Please confirm the spend via Non Direct-Engagement for the period April 2024 to July 2024. Please break this down by:**

- **Doctors per month**
  - **Grade**
  - **Sub-specialty**

	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Total</b>
Snr Medicals (Oncology)					
Jnr Doctors (Oncology)	<b>1,024</b>	<b>5,809</b>	<b>11,697</b>	<b>6,664</b>	<b>25,194</b>

- **Nursing per month**
  - **Band**
  - **Sub-specialty**

Nil return – The Trust does not use Nurse agency.

- **AHP/HSS per month**
  - **Band**
  - **Sub-specialty**

	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Radiotherapy - Band 6's					
Speech Therapy - Band 7's					
Dietetics - Band 6's	<b>6,937</b>	<b>12,548</b>	<b>17,646</b>	<b>21,712</b>	<b>58,843</b>

We are unable to provide individual breakdowns for bands/sub-specialties as, due to the low number of staff, the Trust believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified if the figures were disclosed – Section 40(2) Freedom of Information Act 2000 (personal data).

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. Please note that you must submit a request for a review within 40 days of the date of this letter.

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You should forward your complaint to:

Mr Ian Bevan via [FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:FOI.VUNHST@wales.nhs.uk)  
Head of Information Governance  
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CF15 7QZ

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

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales  
2nd Floor,  
Churchill House,  
Churchill Way,  
Cardiff,  
CF10 2HH  
Telephone: 0330 414 6421  
email: [wales@ico.org.uk](mailto:wales@ico.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

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