

Quality and Governance Service

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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Original Request

1. Please provide list of nursing agencies currently utilised for qualified nursing staff at the trust
2. Please provide spend data for nursing and care agencies for qualified nursing staff across all areas of the trust for qualified staff dated April 2016 – April 2017
3. Please provide information of which off framework agencies supplied qualified nursing staff dated between April 2016 – April 2017 including spend data
4. Please provide agency spend for qualified nursing staff which exceeds the price caps, which are reported as 'break glass' agency usage
5. Please provide how many hours are being worked by agency qualified nursing staff that are charged outside the price caps 'break glass'
6. Please could I have a breakdown of the hourly charge rate that other agencies charge the trust for qualified nursing staff

Our Response

Question 1, 2 and 6

Agency Provider	16/17 spend (£k)	Av Rate (£/hr)
SEARCH CONSULTANCY LTD	152	We hold this information but it is commercially sensitive so under section 43 of the FOIA we will not be providing the information.
Hallam Medical	76	See above.
Medical staffing ltd	42	See above
COBEN MEDICAL LTD	2	See above.

Q3 Not applicable– no off-framework nursing agencies were used

Q5 None

I trust this satisfies your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Yours Sincerely

Mark Greatrex
Director of Finance & Resources and Deputy Chief Executive Officer



Wirral Community NHS Foundation Trust
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