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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 10th October 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Nursing and Care Usage and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

Please could you answer the below questions in relation to Nursing on framework supply;

- 1. Please can you confirm how many shifts have been released/allocated to ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?**

RN: 5,528 hours,
HCA: 33,930 hours

- 2. In the last 60 days which wards, or departments were these ON framework requests for?**

Emergency Department
Operating Theatres
All Medical Specialities
All Surgical Specialities

3. Please can you confirm how many nursing shifts have been filled by ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?

RN: 2,587 hours
HCA: 29,136 hours

4. How many long term lines of work or block bookings are currently being supplied by ON framework agencies?

There are 5 agency workers on block bookings in our operating theatres.

5. Which ON framework agencies is the trust currently utilising for Nursing vacancies and what is the spend on these agencies year to date?

The Trust operates a master vendor managed service arrangement with Medacs Healthcare who are responsible for filling all nursing agency shifts.

The total value of invoices paid covering the period 1st April 2023 – 30th September 2023 is £2,729,466.38 (inclusive of VAT).

6. What is the average charge for both RMN's and RGN's from ON framework agencies?

General ward areas including ED – NHSI capped rate
Operating Theatres - £40.66

7. Who at temporary staffing is responsible for onboarding new agencies and could you provide me with their contact details?

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In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane,

Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website;
www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator