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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST - Ref: FOI/016095 – Agency staff

- 1: Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving Biomedical Science/Pathology agency usage at The Dudley Group NHSFT?
- 2: Who are the managers responsible for agency approval for Pathology/Laboratory agency usage (on and off framework) for the following departments at all hospitals associated with the Trust:
 - Blood Sciences (Haematology, Biochemistry, and Blood Transfusion):
 - Infectious Sciences (Microbiology, Virology, Molecular, Serology, COVID):
 - Cellular Pathology
- 3: Please provide the contact numbers and email addresses in relation to question 1 and 2.
- 4: Have you used off-framework agency staff for Biomedical Science/Pathology between January 2021 and January 2022?
- 5: How much was your off-framework agency spend for each of the following departments between January 2021 and January 2022:
 - (a) Blood Sciences (Haematology, Biochemistry and Blood Transfusion):
 - (b) Infectious Sciences (Microbiology, Virology, Molecular, Serology, COVID):
 - (c) Cellular Pathology
- 6: How many roles were filled by off-framework agency workers between January 2021 and January 2022 for each of the departments outlined in question 5?
- 7: How many unfilled roles did you have between January 2021 and January 2022 for each of the departments outlined in question 5?

The Trust is now part of The Black Country Pathology Services.

The Black Country Pathology Services (BCPS) Partnership will integrate pathology services at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (RWT), with Sandwell West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust (SWBH), Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust (DGH) and Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust (WHT). The BCPS will be hosted by RWT on behalf of the partnership.

Please forward your request to The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust rwh-tr.FOI@nhs.net