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**Date:** 25.2.25

**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you please provide me with the following information in relation to temporary agency staffing.

**1. Does your organisation engage a Neutral Vend or Master Vend agency supplier for:**

- a. Medical
  - i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier?
- b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
  - i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier
- c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)
  - i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier
- d. Nursing
  - i. Name of the NV or MV agency supplier
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the NV or MV agency supplier

**2. Does your organisation utilise a Direct Engagement (DE) supplier for:**

- a. Medical
  - i. Name of the DE provider
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
  - iii. % of DE currently achieved
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- b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
  - i. Name of the DE provider
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
  - iii. % of DE currently achieved
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- c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)
  - i. Name of the DE provider
  - ii. Expiry date of contract with the DE provider
  - iii. % of DE currently achieved

**3. For the most recent Financial Year you have available please can you supply the spend figures on temporary agency staffing (worker pay & agency commission only) for:**

- a. Medical
- b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
- c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)
- d. Nursing

**4. For the most recent Financial Year you have available please can you supply the number of hours worked by temporary agency workers for:**

- a. Medical
- b. Allied Health Professionals (AHPs)
- c. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical (NMNC)
- d. Nursing

**6. Where a contract is in place for the provision of a Neutral Vend, Master Vend and/or a Direct Engagement supplier, please can you advise who the lead contact or responsible officer within the organisation is for this contract?**

- Name:
- Job title:
- Email:

**7. Alternatively please can you advise who is responsible for temporary agency staffing at the organisation across the following departments:**

a. Workforce Lead

Name:

Job Title:

b. Procurement Lead

Name:

Job Title:

c. Finance Lead

Name:

Job Title:

Response

The Trust has received previous requests for information as requested above can we please ask you look at previous responses which can be found on the Trust's disclosure log on the Trust website [Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust](#) and type in 000655, 0001044. A search can also be done by a relevant word, ie agency or master.

Information on agency usage can also be found in the Public Board Report for January 2025 and this can be found on the Trusts external website [22-01-09 Public-Board-Agenda PAPERSV2.pdf](#)

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane

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SK9 5AF  
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[www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**  
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