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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/012332 – Chemotherapy Nurses

Please can you tell me if the trust has any staffing vacancies for chemotherapy nurses. If so, how many vacancies and how many chemotherapy nursing roles are filled by temporary staff.

**Please can you tell me if the trust provides any chemotherapy treatment in a mobile unit or units.
The Trust currently have the following vacancies:**

- 1 x Band 6 vacancy 1.0 WTE
- 1 x Band 6 secondment supporting Chemocare introduction 0.8 WTE
- 1 x Band 6 maternity leave 1.0 WTE

We backfill in to these vacancies utilising Chemotherapy competent nurses from bank or agency. We also use our clinical nurse specialists to support any requirements.

We are fortunate that we block book our agency staff to ensure continuity of staffing and reduction of any risks.

In addition to our Daycase Unit we are working with specialist community colleagues to develop a satellite unit at a local health centre to provide low risk subcutaneous treatment