

**Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 16 July 2021.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

1. **Who is the Head of Procurement at your Trust responsible for approving nursing agency use?**
2. **Who is/are the Temporary/Flexible Staff Managers responsible for the management of this service?**
3. **Please provide the contact information (direct phone number and email address) in relation to both question 1 a) and b)**

	Name	Email	Phone
Head of Procurement	Linda Baxter	Can be contacted through internal switchboard number	01908 996000
Temporary Staffing Lead	Sue Milner		01908 996000

4. **Please can you outline your off-framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between September 05, 2019, to July 11, 2021?**
5. **Following the same breakdown of staff groups in question 3 how many off framework shifts have been unfilled between September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?**

Off Framework Agency Use 5 Sept 2019 - 11 July 2021		
Role	Q3. Actual Spend	Q4. Unfilled Off Framework Shifts
RGN	£62,915	n/a
RCN		n/a
HCA		n/a
RMN		n/a

ITU Nurse	£21,072	n/a
CPN (Band 6)		n/a
Scrub Nurses		n/a
ODPs		n/a
Theatre Nurses		n/a
A&E Nurses	£2548	n/a
GPs		n/a
ANPs		n/a
Nurse Practitioner		n/a
Advd Clinical Practitioner		n/a

**6. Since the start of January 2019 to present please provide the current charge rate from Off Framework agencies Nursing providers a clear breakdown of the workers pay rate and agency commission?**

We pay a total charge rate so do not know the split between worker's pay rate and agency commission.

**7. Based on the above information who are your current Off Framework agencies and how many shifts have been booked for each month from September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?**

Off Framework Suppliers	No of Off Framework Shifts per Month			
	Jul-21	Feb-21	Jan-21	Dec-20
Frontline	0	0	0	0
Greenstaff	1	0	0	0
MedGen	0	0	0	0
Nursing-24	0	0	0	0
Raven	0	12	0	0
Thornbury	1	0	1	63
Unity	5	0	0	0
Vulcan Healthcare	0	0	0	0

**8. Can you please provide the charge rates for the below nursing levels that Off Framework have been charging you since September 05 2019 to July 11, 2021?**

- a) RGNs (ward nurse) Band 5
- b) RCNs Band 5
- c) Healthcare assistance Band 2
- d) RMNs Band 5
- e) Specialist ITU Nurses Band 5 and 6
- f) CPNs Band 6
- g) Scrub Nurses Band 5

- h) ODPs**
- i) Physiotherapists**
- j) Radiographers**
- k) General Practitioners (GP)**
- l) Advance Nurse Practitioners**
- m) Nurse Practitioners**
- n) Advance Clinical Practitioners**

We are exempting this under Section 43 - Section 43 is a qualified exemption, and we are required to assess as objectively as possible whether the balance of public interest favours disclosing or withholding the information. Our view that section 43 applies to your request is based on the judgement that the Trusts ability to purchase products at a competitive price would be compromised by disclosure.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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