



Wednesday, 22 August 2018

Ben Fallon

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Dear Ben

Freedom of Information Act Request: Our ref #1271

Thank you for your FOI request regarding staffing. Please find below our response:

1. What framework agreement/s do you use for the supply of Allied Health Professionals (AHP) and Medical Locums? E.g. HTE , CCS. **HTE**
2. Does your organisation use a Direct Engagement scheme? **No.**
3. If so, who provides it? **Not applicable**
4. When did you start using Direct Engagement? **The Trust commenced Direct Engagement in 2016 but formally ceased using this with effect from 1 May 2018.**
5. What has been your total agency staffing spend since you started using the scheme? If this cannot be easily calculated, what has been the total agency staffing spend in the last financial year?
The total agency spend for 2017/18 was £4,109,677.
6. How much has been paid to the third party direct engagement facilitator so far? **£185630 including VAT.**

I hope that this response answers your request, however please let me know if it does not. If you are unhappy with the Trust's response you can appeal to:

Paul Athey, Acting Chief Executive
The Royal Orthopaedic NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Bristol Road South
Birmingham B31 2AP

If you then remain dissatisfied, you have the right under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to appeal to the Information Commissioner to seek resolution to the matter.

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Yours sincerely

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