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Our ref: FOI/2223/SG11960

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Dear James Baker,

## Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Ref: FOI/2223/SG11960

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received on 17 June 2022 regarding nursing agency spend. Please find below our response to your request:

### REQUEST:

1. Can you confirm names of all agencies supplying into the trust directly or via the NHS Professionals platform for nursing staff specifically for both Band 2 and Band 5 requirements, including off-framework agencies.

a. With the above information, can this be broken down by

- Volume of supply (per month for the last 12 months)
- Total trust spend per agency (per month for the last 12 months)
- By AfC banding of shift request and speciality of nurse

2. Please can you confirm how many shifts have been filled by agencies supplying Band 5 Registered Nursing staff at or below NHSI agency capped rates within the last 12 month period?

3. Please can you confirm how many shifts have been filled by agencies supplying Band 5 Registered Nursing staff above NHSI agency capped rates within the last 12 month period?

4. For the same 12 month period, can you confirm the average charge rate per hour for Band 5 Nursing agency staff across:

Week Days:

Night Shift/Saturday shifts:

Sunday shift/Bank Holiday:

5. Lastly can you confirm the highest agency nurse hourly charge rate, and their speciality?

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## OUR RESPONSE:

### 1. HCL Nursing, HCL Social Care, Thornbury Nursing, Siemens PLC, Seven Resourcing.

From our preliminary assessment, we estimate that compliance with your request would exceed the appropriate costs limit under section 12 of the Freedom of information Act 2000, currently £450, as we do not centrally record all of the information being requested. However, rather than refusing your request in its entirety we are providing information where it is reasonable to do so:

- Please see attached volume of shifts and spend per agency by month for year 2021/22.
- Shift request: Band 2 HealthCare Assistant & Other Support: 67347
- Shift request: Band 5 Nursing: 36723.

We can advise that the Trust publish a monthly list of payments to our suppliers that have a value in excess of £25k at <https://www.leicspart.nhs.uk/about/what-we-spend-and-how-we-spend-it/> which may also be helpful.

### 2. 34533.

### 3. 17411.

### 4. Week Days: £36.93.

Night Shift/Saturday shifts: £46.59.

Sunday shift/Bank Holiday: £54.34.

### 5. Registered Nurse £71.45.

I trust this response is helpful to you. However, if you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request and should be addressed to: *Hannah Plowright, Deputy Data Protection Officer, Unit 2, Bridge Park Plaza, Thurmaston, Leicester LE4 8BL*

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at: *The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF. Phone: 0303 123 1113. Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)* . *There is no charge for making an appeal.*

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any communications.

Yours sincerely,

Data Privacy Team.