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Mr D Hill  
Email only

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Dear Mr Hill

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for information received on 7 September 2018 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding the master vend contract. Specifically you asked for:

***1. When does the master vend contract for doctor supply come to an end?***

Answer: August 2020.

***2. What percentage fill rates (doctors) were reached between January and present?***

Answer: For agency doctors its 75%.

***3. Who are your biggest suppliers on the master vend?***

Answer: Medacs.

***4. Please provide the name contact details for the person at the trust who deals with the master vend tenders.***

Answer: Adam Watson. [adamwatson@nhs.net](mailto:adamwatson@nhs.net)

***5. How much business is being invoiced outside of the master vend?***

Answer: None.

**6. Does your organization use a Direct Engagement scheme? If so, who provides it and when does their contract expire?**

Answer: Yes, Liaison, contract expires March 2020.

**7. What percentage of bookings are made outside of the DE model (non-DE)?**

Answer: Approximately 15%.

**8. Do you outsource any of the following services to external companies?**

- **Provision of Residential Medical Officers** - No
- **Gastroenterology** – No /**Endoscopy** - Yes
- **Dermatology** - No.
- **Radiology** - Radiology outsource a proportion of reporting

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive  
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust  
Darlington Memorial Hospital  
Hollyhurst Road  
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If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
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Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely



**Joanna Tyrrell**  
**Freedom of Information Officer**