FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REF899

19/07/2012

Dear Mr Kelly

Thank you for your email of 04/07/2012 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act. I am pleased to be able to respond to your request:

 Please could you advise on the agency/locum spend for the following categories during the following time periods:

Categories:

All Allied Health Professions (AHP) All Health Science Services (HSS) Nursing Medical Locums (Doctors)

Time periods:

2006 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2007 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2008 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2009 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2010 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2011 (1st Jan-31st Dec) 2012 (1st Jan-31st June)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>
	<u>Jan –</u>						
	Dec *	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	Jan - Dec	<u>Jan - June</u>
Medical Locums	-	2,972,452	2,819,830	2,420,152	2,706,605	4,946,265	2,769,972
Nursing	-	956,534	823,254	439,556	1,490,139	1,791,391	849,303
Health Science	-	-	-	-	300	36,122	31,185
Allied Health							
Professions	-	73,720	40,781	122,123	141,190	237,288	239,960

^{*}Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust was only formed in April 2006 following the merging of three other NHS Trusts so information relating to this time period is unavailable.

 Please outline details of any current framework or preferred supplier list in place for the supply of agency/locum staff within the above categories to your trust/authority...

Agencies	Job Role		
Medacs, Nursing Personnel, Primary Care, Randstad	Agency Nurses (e.g. Registered Nurses and Support Workers)		
Pulse	Medical Staffing (e.g. Psychiatrists / Psychologists)		
Sugarmans	Allied Health Professionals (e.g. Physiotherapists / Occupational Therapists)		

• ...along with details on any renewal dates or plans to re-procure the agreements.

All locum requirements are procured from Suppliers party to existing Government Procurement Service Framework Agreements.

Of these, the Trust have a 1st tier contract for the Supply of Medical Locums with Pulse whose contract term mirrors that of the existing GPS Framework, recently extended by GPS to end September 2012.

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