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By email: request-624378-729eda1b@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Sir / Madam

Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST: 85496

Please find below the response to your Freedom of Information request to Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust.

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Dear Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust,

1. *Do you insource any clinical services and which ones?*

Yes, the Trust insources Endoscopy service.

2. *Do you have a contract with any company and who is that and for which insourcing services?*

The Trust has 18 weeks support contract.

3. *Did you procure this under any current framework and if so which one?*

It was direct procurement via a mini-competition.

4. *How is this charged for by the third party service provider per patient/per tariff*

The Trust pays per procedure.

5. *Are you currently being charged below, on or above NHS tariff?*

The Trust is charged below tariff as it is still paying for all other costs.

6. *Do you use substantively employed Trust staff to delivery all or part of the insourced service?*

Part delivered by Trust with a receptionist, IT staff and decontamination supervisors.

7. *The total number of procedures completed by each supplier (named) in the following categories:*

- *Endoscopy* – up to 100 procedures per week for 10 weeks.
- *Ophthalmology* – Not applicable
- *ENT* – Not applicable
- *Neurology* – Not applicable
- *Dermatology* – Not applicable
- *All Other* – Not applicable

8. *The total spend completed by each supplier (named) per service area*

The contract with 18 week support for endoscopy insourcing is £444,000

9. *Please give an annual breakdown per annum of insourcing services per service area:*

- 15/16 – N/A
- 16/17 – N/A
- 17/18 – N/A
- 18/19 – N/A

Insourcing was started in mid -November 2019, therefore there is no previous insourcing activity.

For clarification, what was meant by Insourcing was extending the services you offer during standard hours to evenings and weekends in order to reduce waiting times or offer more flexible appointment times.

The work is performed on the Trusts own premises and uses the Trusts own equipment, but all staffing and resources are provided by a Third Party.

Please let us know if you require more details or further clarification. You can find out more about the Trust and our publication scheme at our website².

If you are dissatisfied with our response, please use our FOI review process by contacting foi@gstt.nhs.uk or writing to:

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Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Findlay', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jon Findlay.
Chief Operating Officer

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² <http://www.guysandstthomas.nhs.uk/about-us/publications/foi/freedom-of-information.aspx>

³ <http://www.ico.org.uk>