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To: Sebastian Patterson

Our Ref: FOI 8709 Date: 09/05/2023

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Dear Sebastian,

I am writing in response to your email dated 09/02/2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) for information relating to Nursing and Care Off-Framework.

I would first like to apologise for the delay in responding to your request. This is due to operational pressure impacting on the team(s) providing answers which has in turn impacted on our response time.

Please see below our response.

- 1. Does your trust utilise off-framework agencies for Nursing or Care, if so which agencies?
 - Thornbury Nursing Service
- 2. How many hours have been covered by off-framework agencies for Nursing and Care AUG 22-PRESENT?
 - 6346.44 hours
- 3. Who at director level is responsible for patient safety and staffing levels?
 - Director of Nursing

This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request will be held on a database held by the Trust.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request or response, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the decision. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 days of receiving our response.

Requests for an internal review should be addressed to freedomofinformation@uhs.nhs.uk quoting the reference number given at the top of this letter.

If, following the internal review, you are still not satisfied with the outcome, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioners Office can be contacted on 0303 123 1113 or via the web site at https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/

With regards,

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