Freedom of Information (FOI)

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Dear Mr. Thomas,

RE: Freedom of Information Request 202223 / 057 - Agency and bank staff

Your Query & NHS Orkney response Date of Request May 2022

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the information below.

1. Do the NHS Organisation have a Master Vend or Neutral Vend arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? No

This question is broken down into staff groups below. Please provide the suppliers name as well as the contract expiry (Month/Year).

- i. Medical / Dental
- ii. Allied Health Professionals / Scientific, Therapeutic and Technical
- iii. Nursing and Midwifery
- iv. Non-Medical, Non-Clinical
- 2. Does the NHS Organisation have a staff Bank provider? If so, please name the provider and staff groups covered.

Please note, where the Bank service is being provided in-house, but utilising 3rd party technology platform, please list the provider's name.

Not applicable – NHS Orkney bank services are provided in house.

- 3. Do the NHS Organisation have a Direct Engagement provider in place? Yes
 - i. If so, what is the name of the Direct Engagement provider? PlusUs
 - ii. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, when does this contract end? April 2023, with the option of a 2 year extension.
 - iii. When this contract ends, are the NHS Organisation looking to undertake a procurement exercise and go to market, as opposed to an automatic extension? (Yes / No) NHS Orkney will undertake a review before making a decision to re tender or exercise the extension period.
 - iv. If a Direct Engagement provider is currently in place, please provide a 'Yes' or 'No' by the below staff groups if they are currently captured under the model:



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Staff group		Yes / No
Medical and dental	Yes	
Allied Health Professionals /	Yes	
Scientific, Therapeutic and		
Technical		
Non-Medical, Non-Clinical	No	

4. Please provide 21/22 Full Financial Year agency spend figures across each of the below staff

Staff group	Full Financial Year Agency Spend 202122
Doctors	£1,923,787
Nurses & HCA's	£1,607,632
AHP/HSS	£823,878
Non-Medical/Non-Clinical	0

5. Please provide 21/22 Full Financial Year bank spend figures across each of the below staff

Staff group	Full Financial Year Bank Spend 202122
Doctors	0
Nurses & HCA's	£840,282
AHP/HSS	£234,207
Non-Medical/Non-Clinical	£509,094

I hope this helps with your request.

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Officer NHS Orkney



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