FOI 1980

Date 15/03/2023

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

* **Please provide your trust's spending on 'on-framework' recruitment agencies in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23); \***

21/22 M1-12      [FOI-1990.docx (live.com)](https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.bedfordshirehospitals.nhs.uk%2Fwp-content%2Fuploads%2F2023%2F02%2FFOI-1990.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK)

22/23 M1 – 9     Medics £11,199,272

Nurses £4,641,036

* **Please provide your trust's total spending on 'off-framework' recruitment agencies in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23);**

The Trust does not use ‘off-framework’ recruitment agencies.

* **Please provide a list of all the 'off-framework' recruitment agencies that your trust uses and show how much each agency has been paid in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23);**

N/A

* **How many times has your trust 'broken glass' and paid above NHS capped rates for doctors, nurses and other clinical staff in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23); \***
* **Can you please state how many times your trust filled shifts with staff supplied by Thornbury Nursing Services in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23)?;**

The Trust does not use Thornbury Nursing Services

* **Can you please provide the highest per hour rate paid to Thornbury Nursing Services for a shift in 2021/22 and this financial year (2022/23)?  In each case, can you please detail the job category of the role provided?**

N/A

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 Yours sincerely,

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