

FoI request re: Agency doctors supply chain
Ref: 21-PP-0706

Please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to your request for information relating to agency doctors supply chain.

This was received on 7 May 2021 and has been dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please find our responses below:

Request 1:

What contractual relationships are in place for supplying agency doctors and who is responsible for managing them?

The information you have requested is already available on our disclosure log database on our public website:

<https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/default.asp?c=40914>

and specifically, the following FOI request Medical Agency Cascade 21-JK-1904:

<https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/search/?q=21-JK-1904>

Request 2:

Who is your primary point of contact for decision making regarding supply chain for Agency Doctors?

The Agency Supply lead for Bank Partners in conjunction with Whittington Health's Management team.

Request 3:

How many agencies are used to supply agency doctors?

20 agencies

Request 4:

Of these agencies, how many are off framework – please list them?

1 off framework

Pathology Group

Request 5:

Over the past 6 months, how many shifts have been filled via an off framework agency?

309 (locums)

Request 6:

Who is your highest paid agency doctor, what is their speciality and their hourly charge?

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Histopathology £120 per hour

Request 7:

Please outline your spend per agency, broken down by grade and speciality of doctor over the past 6 months?

Agency+A1:D35	Grade	Ward	Total (£)
(OF) PGY GRP	Medical - Consultant / GP	Histopathology	274,620.00
Emergency	Medical - Speciality / staff grade Doctor	Acute Paediatrics	3,681.42
	Medical - Speciality / staff grade Doctor	Obstetrics & Gynae	10,226.24
	Medical - Speciality / staff grade Doctor	Urology	1,122.68
Athona Doctors	Medical - Consultant / GP	Nuclear Medicine Imaging Service	31,864.00
Blue Cross	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training/Registrar ST3(+)	Emergency	127,123.86
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	General Surgery	24,678.10
CharterHouse	Medical - Consultant / GP	Imaging Team	18,227.09
DRC Locums	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	General Surgical	18,403.10
	Medical - Registrar ST3 (+)	Emergency	5,364.38
ED Staffing	Medical - Consultant / GP	Emergency	199,981.46
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Emergency	38,727.27
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Emergency	228.25
	Medical - Registrar ST3 (+)	Emergency	109,787.02
HCL	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Surgical	3,991.62
HOLT	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Medics A&E	1,235.51
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Acute Paediatrics	9,580.02
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Obstetrics & Gynae	551.92

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	Medical - Registrar ST3 (+)	ITU	572.22
ID Medical	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Emergency	7,543.20
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Surgical	40,071.94
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	NCL Paediatrics	1,400.88
	Medical - Speciality / staff grade Doctor	Urology	17,593.49
Medacs	Medical - Associate Specialist/consultant/GP/Registrar ST3 (+)	General Surgery	28,896.33
	Medical - Registrar ST3 (+)	Emergency	1,398.00
	Medical - Speciality / staff grade Doctor	Obstetrics & Gynae	963.37
National Locums	Medical - Consultant / GP	Oncology	66,089.90
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Acute Paediatrics	4,777.45
PERTEMP MEDICAL	Medical - Registrar ST3 (+)	Emergency	2,019.60
PRO MEDICAL	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Medics Acute Paediatrics	3,668.79
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	Medics Obstetrics & Gynae	1,347.00
	Medical - Registrar ST1-2 / Core medical training	NCL Paediatrics	5,064.72

Request 8:

Do you have a Master Vendor for Agency Doctors In place? If so, who are they and when are they contracted until?

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and specifically, the following FOI request Agency and Bank staff costs 20-SS-1505

<https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/document.ashx?id=13793>

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Request 9:

If you have a Master Vendor in place, What is your current average % fill rate from your Master Vendor Provider for Medical Locums for the past 6 months?

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Request 10:

If you have a Master Vendor in place, How many hours of work for medical locums have been booked outside of your Master Vendor arrangement in the past 6 months?

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Request 11:

If you have a Master Vendor in place, What % of bookings by your Master Vendor Provider are at the NHSI capped rates in the past 6 months?

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Request 12:

What is your total (£) off framework agency spend for Agency Doctors?

£274,620.00

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Request 13:

Does the trust utilise a Direct Engagement method of payment for agency doctors and if so whom?

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Request 14:

What % of Agency Doctors are paid via Direct Engagement Method? And Outside of Direct Engagement?
100%

Request 15:

How many doctors working are Deemed Outside of IR35 working at the trust?
N/A

I hope you find this information useful. Please quote the above reference in any further communication on this matter.

If you require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me by email or at the address shown below.

Yours sincerely

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