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Dear ,

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 39798 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding:-

Off framework usage

Your request is set out below:

1. A list of the OFF-framework agencies used by the trust in the past 12 months'

None

2. The average length of time a long-term agency placement is left vacant before being filled by the agencies who are ON framework in the past 12 months'

LTP go to bank for one week before being circulated to agencies – on average the turn around time for the trust to review CVs, interview, offer and get an agency worker in post is approx. 6 weeks. There are a number of LTPs that have been out for many months with little to no interest, some have not been filled at all and some have had workers start and then move on very quickly

3. How many long-term bookings and individual shifts have been placed through OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months' (Please separate individual shifts and long-term placements)

None

4. Average cost per hour for Band 5, 6 and 7 agency workers paid to OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months'

N/A – The trust do not use off-framework agencies

5. Who in the trust has authority to approve the use of off-framework agencies (name and job title)

N/A – The trust do not use off-framework agencies

6. If authority to use off-framework agencies in the trust lies with a specific department i.e., temporary staffing/staffing solutions/agency bookings/NHSP or equivalents, then who in the trust has the authority to override such decision made by that department (name and job title)

N/A – The trust do not use off-framework agencies

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of The Information Governance Department