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## **Nursing Agency Usage**

- 1. From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023, please list the wards/departments you have requested shifts for off framework agencies in your Adult Nursing, Mental Health, Community Hospitals?**

The use of off framework agencies is strictly controlled and every effort is made to backfill vacant shifts with our own staff working overtime, our nurse bank employees and our contracted agency staff.

During the defined timeframe a total of 90 wards or departments have requested off framework agency shifts across Adult Nursing, Mental Health and Community. The wards are listed in Appendix 1.

- 2. From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 have you requested shifts for off framework agencies in your UTC/UCC/MIU?**

We confirm that there has been off-framework nursing agency usage in Belfast Trust within the defined time period and departments in question.

- 3. Please provide me with the name, contact number & email address of the person responsible for agreeing temporary nursing agency contracts for your Trust?**

The Procurement and Logistics Service at the Business Services Organisation manage nursing agency procurement regionally, on behalf of Belfast Health and Social Care Trust and on a regional level. Shannon Sinclair is the contact person for this. Email address for Shannon Sinclair: [Shannon.sinclair@hscni.net](mailto:Shannon.sinclair@hscni.net)

The Belfast Trust Nurse Bank co-ordinate nursing agency bookings. The Service Improvement Lead (Bank and Roster), Paul Delaney, has operational management responsibility for this service.

Email address for Paul Delaney: [paul.delaney@belfasttrust.hscni.net](mailto:paul.delaney@belfasttrust.hscni.net)

- 4. Please provide a list of off-framework agencies used by the Trust in the past 3 months**

The off-framework agencies used in Belfast Trust within the defined time period are listed in Appendix 2.

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**5. How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 – March 10<sup>th</sup> 2023 (a) RGN's, (b) RCN's, (c) RMN, (d) ITU Nurse, (e) A&E Nurse, (f) HCA, (g) CPN**

We report on months, not part-months, and so we cannot give the specific time period requested. Expenditure is captured for the categories 'Registrant' and 'Non-Registrant' nursing staff and is not available for the specific categories requested.

The off-framework agency expenditure for January 2023 and February 2023 is:

£7.04m Registered Nursing staff  
£1.43m Unregistered Nursing staff

We are able to provide the total expenditure off-framework for the nursing family (registrant and non-registrant) within ICU and Emergency Departments for the 2-month period January 2023 - February 2023 and this is as follows:

£1.044m ICU (ITU)  
£1m ED

**NB:** This is included in, not additional to, the £8.47m total expenditure on off-framework expenditure for January 2023 and February 2023.

**6. How much was your off framework spend for (a) Urgent Treatment Centre (b) Urgent Care Centre (c) Minor Injuries Unit?**

The Emergency Department off framework expenditure for the two months January and February 2023 is £1m. This includes Urgent Care Centre and Clinical Assessment Unit.

We do not have a separate minor injuries unit.

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**Appendix 1: Wards/Departments that have requested off framework agency shifts in the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

BCH 10 North (Haem)
BCH 11 North (Renal)
BCH 2 North (Surgical)
BCH 2 South (Surgical)
BCH 5 South (Gynae Oncology/Breast Surgical)
BCH 6 North (Haematology and Gastroenterology)
BCH 9 North (Cardiology)
BCH AMHIC Ward 1
BCH AMHIC Ward 2
BCH AMHIC Ward 3
BCH AMHIC Ward 4
BCH AMHIC Ward 5
BCH AOHU
BCH B Outpatients
BCH Bridgewater Suites (Haem)
BCH CC Ward 2A (Oncology)
BCH CC Ward 2B (Oncology)
BCH ICU (Ground Floor)
BCH Level 3 Urology
BCH Post-op Recovery
BCH Tower Theatres
Beechcroft Ward 1 (Treatment)
Beechcroft Ward 2 (Admissions)
Community Mental Health (East Recovery Woodstock Lodge)
Community Mental Health N&W(Maureen Sheehan & Old See House)
KHCP Dementia Inpatient Service
KHCP Shannon 1 (Mental Health)
KHCP Shannon 2 (Mental Health)
KHCP Shannon 3 (Mental Health)
Knockbreda ICT
Lithium Clinic
MIH ED
MIH EOSC
MIH Macular Unit (Fairview)
MIH Ward A (Respiratory Ward)

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MIH Ward B (Resp Medicine)
MIH Ward C (Older People Medicine)
MIH Ward D (Medicine)
MIH Ward E (AMU)
MIH Ward F (Cardiology)
MPH Meadowlands 2 (Older People Medicine)
MPH Meadowlands 3 (Older People Medicine)
MPH RABIU
MPH SCIU
MPH Ward 3A
MPH Ward 6A
MPH Ward 6B
Occ Health
Psychiatric Home Treatment House
Psychiatric Home Treatment Team
RVH Acute Frailty Unit Level 2
RVH Anaesthetic Nurses
RVH CS ICU/HDU
RVH ED
RVH Emergency Care Village
RVH Emergency Theatres (Theatre 3)
RVH Escalation Beds Level 8
RVH Eye Casualty
RVH Eye Outpatients
RVH Eyes and ENT Theatres
RVH Fracture Clinic
RVH Fractures Theatres (Theatre 4, 5 & 6)
RVH ICU/HDU
RVH Level 7 Respiratory Ward
RVH Major Trauma Ward
RVH Neuro Theatres (Theatre 1 & 2)
RVH PTU
RVH PTU Nights (Temp Roster)
RVH Recovery
RVH Theatres 7-10
RVH Ward 28 (Step Down Beds)
RVH Ward 29 (ENT)
RVH Ward 2E (Burns Unit)
RVH Ward 4A SURGERY Temp
RVH Ward 4B (Fractures)

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RVH Ward 4C
RVH Ward 4D (Prev 4C spinal) (Fractures)
RVH Ward 4E (Neurology)
RVH Ward 4F (Neurology)
RVH Ward 5A
RVH Ward 5C (Cardiology)
RVH Ward 5E Interim (Older People Medicine)
RVH Ward 5F
RVH Ward 6A/B EMSU
RVH Ward 6C (Prev 6A)
RVH Ward 6D (Hepatology)
RVH Ward 6E/F (Stroke Unit)
RVH Ward 7A (Inf Diseases)
RVH Ward 7B (AMU)
RVH Ward 7C (AMU + AFU)
RVH Ward 7D (Endo Medicine)

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**Appendix 2: Off framework agencies who have supplied nurses to Belfast Trust in the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

Donard Healthcare
Bond Healthcare
Direct Medics
Balmoral Healthcare
Direct Healthcare 24
Just Nurses (The placement group)
Lucas Love Healthcare
Scottish Nursing Guild
Medlocums Recruitment
Mayday Healthcare
Ann's Nursing Care
Axis Nursing Agency
Red Group Personnel
TTM Healthcare
Majestik Nursing Agency