

18 October 2023

Funding for Doctors' Strike Cover

I would like to request information regarding the money spent by your Trust on NHS strike cover, over doctor strike periods for the following strike dates (inclusive):

**13/3/23 - 15/3/23
11/4/23 - 14/4/23
14/6/23 - 16/6/23
13/7/23 - 18/7/23
20/7/23 - 21/7/23
11/8/23 - 14/8/23
24/8/23 - 25/8/23
19/9/23 - 22/9/23
02/10/23 - 04/10/23**

Please can you provide:

- 1. The total temporary staff spend on each day in the periods requested?**
- 2. The total spend on strike cover on each day in the periods requested?**
- 3. The top five daily rates paid for i) doctor and ii) nurse on each day in the periods requested?**

Belfast Trust are unable to respond as there have been no doctors' strikes in Northern Ireland in recent years.