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## Independent Investigations

- 1. Since 2014, how many independent investigations were sanctioned by your Trust and how many of those sanctioned were allocated specifically to an organisation called 'NICHE Health and Social Care Consulting Limited', please?**

There is no central recording of this information in Belfast Health and Social Care Trust. Therefore, we are unable to provide accurate information to answer this.

However, our Corporate Governance Team are aware of three Independent Investigations that were sanctioned by the Trust since 2014.

None of these investigations was allocated to NICHE Health and Social Care Consulting Limited.

- 2. How many investigations carried out by Niche since start of 2014 were 'Paediatric' cases please?**

Belfast Trust has not used this organisation to carry out investigations.

- 3. Please can you tell me the total Trust spend on NICHE Health and Social Care Consulting Limited by financial year from 2014 to date? For the current financial year, please just give me the total spend so far.**

Belfast Trust has not made any payments to this organisation.