

27 January 2022

Subject: Nursing Agency breakdown

Question 1:

I would be grateful if you could provide a breakdown of hourly rate charged to the Trust by nursing agencies for “On Contract “ and also “Off contract” such as Scottish Nursing Guild, Pulse Nursing Agency, Bond, Direct Medics and any other significant supplier. Current charge rates effective from 1st January 2022.

To include but not limited to dayshift, nightshift, Saturday, Sunday and bank holiday rates.

Answer

We would not be able to provide a list of agency/agencies charge rates as this would be commercial in confidence.

In accordance with the FOI Act 2000 we cannot fulfill this part of your request under Section 43 Commercial Interest. The arguments to maintain this exemption outweigh the arguments for disclosure. Its disclosure would be prejudicial to the commercial interest of the providers.

Question 2:

I would be grateful if you could provide details about nursing agencies used in the Trust within the past 12 months. A list of agencies (on and off contract) and the total number of hours supplied by each agency from January 2021 – December 2021.

Answer

Please find attached spreadsheet