

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/23/644

Agency Usage

Information Requested:

1. Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving agency usage for Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy locums?
2. Who are the managers responsible for agency usage (on and off framework) for the following departments at all hospitals associated with the Trust:
 - (a) Physiotherapy
 - (b) Occupational Therapy
3. Please can you provide the contact number and email addresses for the managers listed in relation to question 1 and 2.
4. How much was your Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups since January 2023 – present?
 - (a) Physiotherapy
 - (b) Occupational Therapy
5. Please provide the names of the agencies currently used by the Trust to supply Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists – please include the % of shifts filled by each agency since January 2023.
6. Do you use a direct engagement model to facilitate locum placements for Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists, if so, which one?
7. What is the highest rate paid for Band 6 Physiotherapists and Band 6 Occupational Therapists since January 2023?

Response Details:

In response to question 1:

Emma Lane.

In response to questions 2 and 3:

After considering your request, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) believes that the data requested is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. Its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing with regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of the GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

In response to question 4:

- (a) Physiotherapy: £64,043
- (b) Occupational Therapy: £83,808

In response to question 5:

Physiotherapists

- Entrada Recruitment Group: 25.00%
- Globe Locums Limited: 33.33%
- Piers Meadow Recruitment: 39.28%
- Tripod Partners Ltd: 2.38%

Occupational Therapists

- Blackstone Recruitment: 44.82%
- Maxxima Limited: 44.82%
- Your World Recruitment Ltd: 10.34%

In response to question 6:

Yes, Medacs Healthcare Vantage.

In response to question 7:

Physiotherapists: £33.00

Occupational Therapists: £32.00