

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/23/482
Framework Agencies Used

Information Requested:

Please provide me with the below details;

1. A list of the OFF-framework agencies used by the trust in the past 12 months'

- Presto Nursing
- Thornbury

2. The average length of time a long-term agency placement is left vacant before being filled by the agencies who are ON framework in the past 12 months'

Not applicable.

3. How many long-term bookings and individual shifts have been placed through OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months' (Please separate individual shifts and long-term placements)

None.

4. Average cost per hour for Band 5, 6 and 7 agency workers paid to OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months'

In completing a search for the information requested, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (the UHB) has confirmed that this information is not centrally recorded or collated. To retrieve the information requested would require a manual search through individual records and the UHB considers that this would exceed the limit set within regulations for responding to a request. The UHB has therefore relied upon the Section 12 exemption ('Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit') of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is refusing your request.

The UHB has estimated that to complete the work needed to respond to this request would exceed the time limit as set within regulations to respond to a Freedom of Information Act request. Under the Act there is an allowance of two and a half days, or 18 hours, to comply with a request and the cost limit set within the fees' regulations for this amount of work (18 hours) is £450 for the UHB. The fees regulations specify that the cost of complying with a request must be calculated at the rate of £25 per hour.

5. Who in the trust has authority to approve the use of off-framework agencies (name and job title)

Jason Roberts, Executive Nurse Director.

6. **If authority to use off-framework agencies in the trust lies with a specific department i.e., temporary staffing/staffing solutions/agency bookings/NHSP or equivalents, then who in the trust has the authority to override such decision made by that department (name and job title)**

Jason Roberts, Executive Nurse Director.