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Subject: Off-Framework agency use and spend

Q1 Which off framework agencies are used for non-clinical vacancies?

A1 [Information not held – we have not used off frame agencies for non-clinical vacancies](#)

Q2 On a month by month basis what was your off-framework agency spend for the last 12 months for nurses

A2 [April £7,645; £0 onwards](#)

Q3 On a month by month basis what was your off-framework agency spend for the last 12 months for doctors

A3 [Information not held – we do not use off-framework agencies for doctor shifts](#)

Q4 On a month by month basis what was your off-framework agency spend for the last 12 months for band 8s

A4 [Zero](#)

Q5 On a month by month basis what was your off-framework agency spend for the last 12 months for band 9s

A5 [Zero](#)

Q6 On a month by month basis what was your off-framework agency spend for the last 12 months for VSMs

A6 [Zero](#)

Q7 Which off frame work agencies supplied nurses in 2020, 2021 and 2022

A7 [Red Sector](#)

Q8 What is the average length of a contract for a band 8 placed through an off framework agency

A8 [Zero](#)

Q9 What is the average length of a contract for a band 9 placed through an off framework agency

Q9 [Zero](#)

Q10 Total off framework spend in 2020, 2021, and 2022

A10 2019/2020: £14,740
2020/2021: £5,241
2021/2022: £27,272

Q11 Total agency spend for band 8s in 2020, 2021 and 2022 through framework

	2020	2021	2022	Total
Registered Nurses (Agency)	£218,290	£82,079	£258,998	£559,367

Please note, we are unable to breakdown this data further and cannot provide it by grade.

Q12 Total agency spend for band 9s in 2020, 2021 and 2022 through framework

	2020	2021	2022	Total
Registered Nurses (Agency)	£218,290	£82,079	£258,998	£559,367

Please note, we are unable to breakdown this data further and cannot provide it by grade.

Q13 Total agency spend for VSMs in 2020, 2021 and 2022 through framework

A13 Zero

Q14 Who is responsible for approving the use of agencies for agency staff? Please provide their email address and contact number

A14 The budget holders or service/divisional managers would approve use of agencies.

Staff names exempted under Section 40: Personal Information. Although the information relates to their public role and accountability for managing budgets, disclosure of names of all individuals may potentially have adverse consequences to the employees. Any names of staff that are available in the public domain are accessible via our website

- <https://alderhey.nhs.uk/>

Q15 What was your off-framework agency spend for fixed term contracts (not ad-hoc shifts) in 2020, 2021, and 2022 split between clinical and non-clinical

A15 Clinical

- 2019/2020: £17,291
- 2020/2021: £5,241
- 2021/2022: £47,637
- 2022/2023: £7,645

Non clinical: £0 for whole period of 2020, 2021 and 2022

Q16 What is the process for recruiting interim Very Senior Managers (VSMs)? Who is responsible for that recruitment?

A16 The recruiting manager would request the role be advertised, as it is a VSM it would likely be an Executive Manager. We may also approach a recognised agency or offer a secondment

Q17 What was the agency spend for VSMs for 2020, 2021 and 2022

A17 Zero

Q18 Do you have an off-framework audit pack?

A18 No

Q19 What are the compliance requirements for off-framework agencies – split between clinical and non-clinical

Q19 Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data.