

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.206.25

19 March 2025

Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information which was received on 17 February 2025, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and my response follows each question individually.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request and Powys Response:

Q1. Please confirm how many shifts were sent out for agencies to fill (per month), for Band 5 Nurses between July 2024 – Jan 2025? Please can this be broken down, by specialities, RGN/RMN/Theatres/Paediatrics etc.

Please see the table below for Powys Teaching Health Boards breakdown of agency shift for Band 5 nurses for the period requested.

Speciality	Number of shifts
Registered Mental Health Nurse (RMN)	966
Registered General Nurses (RGN)	1556
Theatre	244

Q2. Please confirm how many of these shifts were filled by agencies per month for the same timespan as detailed in Q1.

Please see the table below for the number of shifts filled by agencies per month.

Month	RGN	RMN	Theatre
July 2024	273	135	24
August 2024	306	125	54

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September 2024	234	102	29
October 2024	196	116	41
November 2024	194	149	37
December 2024	170	165	23
January 2024	173	157	33
Grand Total	1546	949	241

Q3. Please could you confirm how many Band 5 agency nurse shifts which were approved to go out to agency, were unfilled from July 2024 – Jan 2025?

Speciality	Number of shifts unfilled by Agency
RMN	17
RGN	10
Theatre	3

Q4. Please confirm how many hours throughout the timescale detailed in Q1 were filled by off-framework agencies for Band 5 agency nurses? Can this also be broken down per month.

Month	RGN	RMN	Theatre
July 2024	210	589.2	21.5
August 2024	251.92	641.86	44
September 2024	396.5	637.43	67.5
October 2024	311.25	518.6	27.5
November 2024	310.25	762.1	21.5
December 2024	389.67	811.01	27.5
January 2025	371.83	801.67	15
Grand Total	2241.42	4761.87	224.5

Q5. Between July 2024 – Jan 2025, what was the trust spend per month, for each agency supplier?

Please find below tables highlighting Total Registered Nursing Agency Suppliers paid more than £1,000 for the period requested.

Please Note: Spend has been rounded to the nearest £.

Agency Supplier - Registered Nursing	£
Ability Recruitment Group Ltd	11,500
Allied & Clinical Recruitments Ltd	3,296
Asa Medical Solutions Ltd	19,881
Athona Ltd	12,079
Bluestones Medical	23,296
Carepro Ltd	13,923
Chester Healthcare Ltd Ta Jane Lewis Nursing Agency	1,336
Concept Care Solutions Ltd	14,884
Direct Medics Ltd	42,541
Direct Nursing Services Ltd	13,670
Eleventh Hour Group Ltd	51,374
Enferm Medical Ltd	44,176

Globe Locums Ltd	2,607
Hanson Grey Ltd	42,845
Id Medical	2,138
Independent Clinical Services Ltd Ta Thornbury Nursing Services	295,067
Medacs Healthcare Plc	6,592
Medical Professional Personnel Ltd - T/A Nursing Personnel & Mpp Locums	4,194
Medicspro Ltd	24,607
Mps Healthcare Ltd	130,909
Mylocum Ltd	17,342
National Locums	17,475
Nc Healthcare Ltd	3,580
Pertemps Medical Professionals Ltd	6,369
Presto Nursing Ltd	40,106
Pro Nursing Healthcare Ltd	19,695
Pulse Healthcare Ltd	14,765
Pure Healthcare Group Ltd	435,868
Randstad Solutions Ltd	161,497
Red Sector Recruitment Ltd	677,853
Richmond Nursing Agency Ltd	12,648
Seven Resourcing Ltd	2,036
Severn Angels Healthcare Ltd	138,805
Staffing Plus Ltd	21,651
The Placement Group Nursing Ltd	7,474
Total Assist Recruitment Ltd	11,077
Txm Healthcare Ltd	39,081
Vetro Health Ltd	16,178
Your World Nursing Ltd	1,824
Grand Total	2,406,236

Total Registered Nursing Agency Suppliers paid more than £1,000 in the period July 2024 - January 2025	Total Spend per Month in £
July 2024	464,955
August 2024	273,258
September 2024	428,049
October 2024	328,754
November 2024	264,037
December 2024	375,862
January 2025	271,322
Grand Total	2,406,236

Q6. Please confirm the average charge rate across July 2024 – Jan 2025 period for Band 5 Agency nurses.

**The average charge rate for an on-contract band 5 nurses is £39.39.
The average charge rate for an off-contract band 5 nurse is £68.29.**

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 0330 414 6421.

Yours sincerely



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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.