

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.527.25

20 October 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 03 October 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 (Bold):

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information:

Please Note:

- **All figures provided have been rounded to the nearest pound (£).**
- **The spend on agency is based on actual processed payments made to suppliers during the period of 01 July to 30 September 2025.**
- **Any suppliers that were paid less than £1,000 during the above timeframe have been amalgamated where applicable.**
- **Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not routinely collect the data for agency spend by nursing banding.**

Q1. In the period 1st July 2025 to 30th September 2025 please provide a breakdown of:

a. Total trust spend with framework agencies for locum nurses – **I can confirm that the total supplier payments with framework agencies for both Registered and Unregistered Nurses Healthcare Support Worker (HCSWs) was £630,835.**

Q2. Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

a. Spend per band – **PTHB does not collect this information.**

b. Spend per specialty - **Please see the table below for spend per speciality:**

Speciality	Spend (£)
Registered Nurses	52,166
Registered Mental Nurse	369,647
Healthcare Support Worker	209,022

c. Spend per agency name – **Please see the table below for spend per agency name:**

Agency supplier	Spend (£)
Ability Recruitment Group Ltd	1,167
Anytime Care 2020 Ltd	24,627
Blue Heart Care Group Ltd	2,081
Bluestones Medical Ltd	3,892
Care Supply Ltd	3,504
Cromwell Medical Staffing	6,514
Eleventh Hour Group Ltd	2,640
Enferm Medical Ltd	9,277
Express Nursing Ltd	3,455
Globe Locums Ltd	37,895
Hanson Grey Ltd	13,004
Liquid Personnel Ltd	105,611
MPS Healthcare Ltd	12,696
Mylocum Ltd	18,440
National Locums Ltd	31,537
NC Healthcare Ltd	3,123
Oakwood 24 Ltd	4,848
Pro Nursing Healthcare Ltd	60,395
Pure Healthcare Group Ltd	130,339
Randstad Solutions Ltd	27,471
Red Sector Recruitment Ltd	2,288
Richmond Nursing Agency Ltd	5,637
Severn Angels Healthcare Ltd	83,295
Silver Blue Services Ltd T/A Springday Healthcare	11,058
Staffing Plus Ltd	5,307
Swiis UK Ltd	3,181
Team Support Healthcare Ltd	14,915
Other suppliers paid less than £1,000 in timeframe total	2,637

Q3. In the period 1st July 2025 to 30th September 2025 please provide a breakdown of:

a. Total trust spend with off framework agencies for locum nurses

I can confirm that the total supplier payments with off framework agencies for both Registered and Unregistered Nurses (HCSWs) was £177,479.

Q4. Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

a. Spend per band – **PTHB does not collect this information.**

b. Spend per specialty – **Please see the table below for spend per speciality:**

Speciality	Spend (£)
Registered Nurses	7,735
Registered Mental Nurse	164,627
Healthcare Support Worker	5,117

c. Spend per agency name – **Please see the table below for spend per agency name:**

Agency supplier	Spend (£)
Independent Clinical Services T/A Thornbury Nursing Services	30,897
Presto Nursing Ltd	1,844
Red Sector Recruitment Ltd	144,738

Q5. In the period 1st July 2025 to 30th September 2025 please provide a breakdown of:

a. Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum nurses - **The total internal bank spend, for both registered and unregistered nurses was £551,230.**

Q6. Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:

a. Spend per band – **PTHB does not collect this information.**

b. Spend per specialty – **Please see the table below for spend per speciality:**

Speciality	Spend (£)
Registered Nurses	209,988
Registered Mental Nurse	133,713
Healthcare Support Worker	207,528

c. Spend per agency name – **Not applicable.**

Q7. Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st July 2025 to 30th September 2025) – **I can confirm that there was a total of 1,045 shifts for agency nursing during the timeframe requested.**

Q8. Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked above NHSE capped rates during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st July 2025 to 30th September 2025) – **I can confirm PTHB do not operate on NHS England rates. Therefore, this is a nil response.**

Q9. Please confirm the framework you utilise for nursing agency staff – **All Wales Nursing services framework.**

If you have queries or any concerns, contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your

request and wish to ask for a review of this, please contact us and we will arrange for this to be done.

Further information is available from the Information Commissioner's Office who can be contacted at:

Address: Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH.

Telephone: 0330 414 6421

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Web site: <https://ico.org.uk/>

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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.