

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.005.26

20 January 2026

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 6 January 2026, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partially holds the information that you require. For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's 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 1 October 2025 - 31 December 2025.**
- **Any suppliers that were paid less than £1,000 during the above timeframe have been amalgamated where applicable.**
- **All Registered Nurses charged /coded to a Mental Health (including CAMHS) have been categorised as RMN and all others have been categorised as General.**

Q1. In the period 1st October 2025 to 31st December 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 £410,098.**

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 specialty:**

Specialty	Spend (£)
Registered General Nurse	42,726
Registered Mental Health Nurse	250,253
Healthcare Support Worker	117,119

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

Agency supplier	Spend (£)
Anytime Care 2020 Ltd	24,542
Carepro Ltd	9,298
Connect Medical Solutions Ltd formerly Enferm Medical	4,182
Globe Locums Ltd	33,605
Gold Staff Recruitment Ltd	3,428
Liquid Personnel Ltd	12,336
MPS Healthcare Ltd	32,041
Mylocum Ltd	13,679
National Locums Ltd	32,047
Oakwood 24 Ltd	1,851
Pro Nursing Healthcare Ltd	22,086
Pure Healthcare Group Ltd	128,350
Randstad Solutions Ltd	21,827
Severn Angels Healthcare Ltd	64,767
Silver Blue Services Ltd T/A Springday Healthcare	1,090
Staffing Plus Ltd	12,532
Swiis UK Ltd	1,866
Other suppliers paid less than £1,000 in timeframe total	2,573

Q3. In the period 1st October 2025 to 31st December 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 £181,166**

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 specialty:**

Specialty	Spend (£)
Registered General Nurse	11,968
Registered Mental Health Nurse	161,676
Healthcare Support Worker	7,522

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	47,792
Red Sector Recruitment Ltd	133,248
Other suppliers paid less than £1,000 in timeframe total	2,573

Q5. In the period 1st October 2025 to 31st December 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 was £620,086 for both Registered and Unregistered Nurses.**

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 specialty:**

Specialty	Spend (£)
Registered General Nurse	243,970
Registered Mental Health Nurse	146,259
Healthcare Support Worker	229,857

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 October 2025 to 31st December 2025) – **I can confirm that there was a total of 894 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 October 2025 to 31st December 2025) – **I can confirm PTHB does 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
Complaints Portal: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints
Web site: <https://ico.org.uk/>

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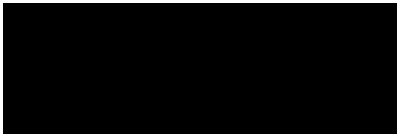
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Yours sincerely



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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.