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Subject:	Agency nurse spend
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Requested:

I would like to know information around your agency spend in Nursing.

1. In 2023 what was your total spend on agency Nursing staffing?
2. In 2023 what was your total spend on agency HCA staffing?
3. How much of the agency Nursing spend was off framework?
4. How much of the agency HCA spend was off framework?
5. For what specialities have you used agency nursing ie A&E, General Nursing, ITU
6. What protocols does the trust have in place to control off framework usage?
7. Who are the framework agencies that fill at the Health Board?
8. Who are the Off framework agencies that fill at the Health Board?
9. In what time frame do you request shifts from an off framework agency?

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that the total spend on agency nurses was £10,963,320.00, for the 2023 calendar year.
2. The UHB confirms that the total spend on Health Care Support Workers (HCSW) was £83,850.00, for the 2023 calendar year.
3. The UHB confirms that the off-framework agency nurse spend was £2,346,093.00, for the 2023 calendar year.
4. The UHB confirms there was no off-framework spend for HCSW, for the 2023 calendar year.
5. The UHB confirms that the specialities it has used agency nurses for are Accident and Emergency (A&E), General nursing, Intensive Therapy Unit (ITU), Scheduled care, Unscheduled care, Mental Health, Oncology, and Women and Children.
6. The UHB confirms that any off-framework agency usage would have to be authorised by the UHB's Financial Control Group. The UHB has not used any off-framework agencies since June 2023.
7. The UHB provides the framework agencies that it utilises below.

Allied & Clinical
ASA Medical Solutions

Medics Pro
MPS Healthcare

Bluestone	National Locums
Capital Staffing Services	NC Healthcare
Castlerock Recruitment	Next Steps Nursing
Concept Care Solutions	NISI Staffing
CRG Agency	PG Ltd
Daytime Healthcare	Pro Nursing
Direct Medics	Pulse Jobs
Direct Nursing Services	Randstad Nursing
Eleventh Hour Medical	Rapid Prime Care
Enferm Medical	Red Spot
Hanson Grey	Richmond Nursing Agency
ID Medical	The Placement Group Ltd
Interact Medical	WNA Healthcare
Med Team	Your Nurse
Medacs Healthcare	Your World Recruitment

8. The UHB does not currently use off-framework agencies.

9. Not applicable.