

Reference:	FOI.11376.23
Subject:	Agency usage
Date of Request:	28 March 2023

Requested:

1. Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving agency usage for the Sonography/Ultrasound department at your trust?
2. Who is responsible for agency usage (on and off framework) in the Sonography/Ultrasound department at all hospitals associated with the Trust?
3. Please can you provide the contact number and email address for the manager(s) in question 1 and 2.
4. Have you used off-framework agency staff between March 2022 - March 2023 in Sonography/Ultrasound?
5. How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for Sonography/Ultrasound from March 2022 - March 2023?

Response:

1. As this information is already within the public domain, Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) has applied an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as the information is accessible by another means. The UHB has answered a similar Freedom of Information request FOI.10802.23 – Recruitment, which is available on our disclosure log:

For ease of reference, please click on the attached link, which will take you directly to the UHB's disclosure log webpage:

[Disclosure Log - Hywel Dda University Health Board \(nhs.wales\)](#)

2. The UHB's Service Manager for Radiology is Gail Roberts-Davies, Head of Radiology and can be written to at the following hospital address: Glangwili General Hospital, Dolgwili Road, Carmarthen, SA31 2AF.
3. Please see responses to questions 1 and 2.
4. & 5. The UHB confirms that it has not used Off-framework agency staff for its Sonography/Ultrasound Departments, during the period 1 March 2022 to 31 March 2023. Therefore, there was no spend.