Reference:	FOI.14153.24
Subject:	Agency use
Date of Request:	5 April 2024

Requested:

1a. Who is the head of procurement that is responsible for approving Nursing agency usage?

1b. Secondly, who is the temporary / flexible staffing lead responsible for the management of this service ?

2. Please can you provide the contact number and email address in relation to both questions 1 (a) and (b).

3a. Can you please confirm the names of all OFF-Framework agencies currently supplying to your trust for the following staffing groups:
Registered General Nurses (RGNs) and Registered Mental Health Nurses (RMNs), Accident & Emergency (A&E)/Intensive Therapy Unit (ITU) Nurses, Prison Nurses and Theatre Nurses

3b. Secondly, can you please confirm the volume of supply, by number of shifts filled and shift type, by each OFF-Framework agency during October 1st 2023 – February 29th 2024.

4. How much was your OFF-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between January 2024 – April 2024:
   a. RGN's
   b. Chemotherapy Nurses
   c. RMN
   d. ITU Nurse
   e. A&E Nurse
   f. Prison Nurses
   g. Theatre Nurses
   h. Neonatal Nurses

Response:

1. & 2. 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 similar Freedom of Information requests, which are available on our disclosure log:

- FOI.12336.23 – Agency usage
- FOI.13268.24 – Agency usage

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)](#)

3. & 4. The UHB confirms that it does not use any Off-Framework agencies and has not done so during the period 1 October 2023 to 1 April 2024. Therefore, there is no Off-Framework spend for this period.