

<b>Reference:</b>	FOI.13055.23
<b>Subject:</b>	Temporary staff
<b>Date of Request:</b>	6 November 2023

**Requested:**

1. How many hours were worked by temporary staff within Allied Health Professionals (AHP) and Health Science Services (HSS) over the past year?
2. Can you provide a breakdown of the hours worked by temporary staff within each of the divisions/departments under AHP/HSS?
3. Do you have a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor to source AHP/HSS agency staff? If so, who is that contract with and when does it end?
4. Who, within the Health Board, is responsible for managing that contract and what is their job title?
5. Which agency is the largest supplier of AHP/HSS agency staff to the Health Board?

**Response:**

As some of 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 include the information for questions 3 and 4 of your request and are available on our disclosure log:

- FOI.12637.23 – Temporary staff management
- FOI.10834.23 – Temporary agency staffing

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 \(nhs.wales\)](https://www.nhs.uk/disclosure-log)

The UHB provides the information it holds for questions 1, 2 and 5 of your request below.

1. The UHB confirms that 41,872 hours were worked by Allied Health Professionals (AHP) and Health Science Services (HSS) agency staff, during the period 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2023.
2. The UHB provides, within the table below, a breakdown of the hours worked by AHP and HSS agency staff, by department and month, during the period 1 November 2022 to 31 October 2023.

Month	Blood Sciences	Dietetics	Occupational Therapist	Physio-therapy	Radiology	Respiratory Physiology	Cardiac Physiology
Nov '22	356	44	452	905	1,580	262	636
Dec '22	293	32	348	563	1,217	192	337
Jan '23	536	89	317	876	1,734	354	355
Feb '23	340	197	253	935	1,281	262	283
Mar '23	191	178	212	800	1,285	264	208

<b>Apr '23</b>	225	174	258	716	1,156	236	198
<b>May '23</b>	434	437	185	678	1,687	329	186
<b>Jun '23</b>	332	193	229	521	1,469	154	210
<b>Jul '23</b>	167	278	147	348	2,094	341	382
<b>Aug '23</b>	143	436	190	308	1,798	392	305
<b>Sep '23</b>	162	398	106	269	1,851	287	239
<b>Oct '23</b>	162	416	137	224	1,571	474	73
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>2,872</b>	<b>2,834</b>	<b>7,143</b>	<b>18,723</b>	<b>3,547</b>	<b>3,412</b>

5. The UHB confirms that all AHP and HSS agency staff are provided through our Managed Service Provider, Medacs.