

# Request title: Agency / Locum Staff Spend 2014/15

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Date of Response: 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Further to your Freedom of Information request, the Trust has answered your questions in the order they appear in your request.

## Request and reply

Please provide me with further information relating to the supply of agency staff (Locums) for the 2014-2015 financial year. I would be grateful if you could please provide the following information:

The Trust uses Agency Nursing for a variety of reasons which include:

- Acuity / dependency of its patients.
- Additional capacity, for example; winter pressures and infection control issues.
- Staff Vacancies.

During 2013 and 2015 additional capacity needs have ranged from a minimum of 13 beds to a maximum of 57 beds, as detailed in the table below:

Year	Minimum Additional Capacity	Maximum Additional Capacity
2013	0	23
2014	0	36
2015	13	57

During 2013 and 2015 the Nursing whole time equivalent has also increased as detailed in the table below:

Year	Registered WTE (as of 1 <sup>st</sup> March)	Non-Registered WTE (as of 1 <sup>st</sup> March)	Registered WTE (as of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec)	Non-Registered WTE (as per 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec)
2012	1295	605	1381	646
2013	1408	648	1432	704
2014	1467	737	1502	749
2015	1562	807		

- Spend on Locum/Agency Doctors & Medical Locums for the April 2014 – March 2015 Financial Year

£863,735.

- Spend on Locum/Agency Nursing staff for the April 2014 – March 2015 Financial Year

£7,625,691

- Spend on Locum/Agency Paramedics & Emergency Services Personnel for the April 2014 – March 2015 Financial Year

Not applicable as the Trust does not employ any Paramedics & Emergency Services Personnel.

- Spend on Locum/Agency Social Workers for the April 2014 – March 2015 Financial Year

Not applicable as the Trust does not employ any Locum/Agency Social Workers.