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**Subject:** Off-framework agency use and agency / temporary / flexible staffing Leads

- Q1 a. Who is the head of procurement at Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust responsible for approving Nursing agency usage?
  - b. Secondly, who is the temporary / flexible staffing lead responsible for the management of this service at Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust?
- A1 a. The Head of procurement is not responsible for approving agency. The Trust's Temporary Staffing Team have an approval process as per the NHS Improvement Guidelines for agency use.
  - b. Diane Batey
- Q2 Please can you provide the contact number and email address in relation to both question 1 (a) and (b)
- A2 Temporary.staffing@lhch.nhs.uk 0151 600 1469
- Q3 Have you used Off-framework nursing agency staff in the last 7 months at Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust?
- A3 No
- Q4 How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between August 2020 March 2021:
  - a. RGN's
  - b. RCN's
  - c. RN's
  - d. RMN
  - e. Specialist RN (ITU)
  - f. Specialist RN (A&E)
- A4 a. Zero
  - b. Zero
  - c. Zero
  - d. Zero
  - e. Zero
  - f. Zero
- Q5 Following the same breakdown of staff groups in Question 3, how many Off-framework shifts have been unfilled between January 2021 July 2021

A5 Zero