

**Reference Number:** FOI202324/474  
**From:** Private Individual  
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**Subject:** Nursing staffing and agency spend

- Q1** 1. Please provide a list of all agencies that have provided temporary nursing staff to Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust in the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years, including the following information:  
i. How much Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust paid each individual agency for providing nursing staff in the specified time period;  
ii. Whether each agency is 'off-framework' or not;

**A1** 1. Pulse, Bluestones

i.

Supplier	22/23	23/24 YTD (9 Months)	Grand Total
BLUESTONES MEDICAL	£136,497	£33,202	£169,698
PULSE HEALTHCARE LTD	£6,051	£2,634	£8,685
GREENSTAFF MEDICAL LTD	£682	£0	£682
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£143,230</b>	<b>£35,835</b>	<b>£179,065</b>

ii. Both on Framework

- Q2** How many times has Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust 'broken glass' and paid above NHS capped rates for nurses in the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years?

**A2** We have paid above price cap for 464 shifts in the 22/23 & 23/24 financial years

- Q3** How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) are employed by Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust on permanent or fixed term contracts?

**A3** 610.13

- Q4** How many vacancies for registered nurses (full time equivalent) on permanent or fixed term contracts are there in Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust?

**A4** -6.36

Q5 How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) employed permanently or on fixed term contracts by Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust resigned or retired during 2023?

A5 53.92

Q6 How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) joined Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust under permanent or fixed-term employment during Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust?

A6 50.88