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From: Commercial
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Subject: Spend and volume of on and off framework agency usage

- Q1 (a) Who is the head of procurement that is responsible for approving Nursing agency usage?
- (b) Secondly, who is the temporary / flexible staffing lead responsible for the management of this service?

A1 A: We do not have a primary contact that would be responsible for the recruitment of Nurses. Each department is responsible for this.

A Deputy Head of Operations can approve Agency if it is on Framework AND within price Cap. An Executive has to approve any off framework OR above price cap agency. The Chief Executive has to approve any Agency that will be over £100 per hour.

B: Diane Batey, Health Roster and Temporary Staffing Manager

- Q2 Please can you provide the contact number and email address in relation to both question 1 (a) and (b)

A2 A: Information not held – as per A1 above

B: Diane.Batey@lhch.nhs.uk

- Q3 (a) 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) & Registered Mental-health Nurses (RMNs),
 - Accident & Emergency (A&E)/Intensive Therapy Unit (ITU) Nurses
 - Prison nurses
 - Theatre Nurses

(b) 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

A3 Information not held – we do not use Off-Framework Agencies

- Q4 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

A4 Information not held – as per A3 above