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Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information request regarding medical locums procurement & spend.

The Trust can provide the following information:

Please see below.

If you have any queries about this response please contact the information governance manager at foi@homerton.nhs.uk , in the first instance. If, following that, you still have any concerns, you may contact the Information Commissioner either by letter, FOI/EIR Complaints resolution, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SM9 5AF, or by email www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk to take them further.

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Yours sincerely

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8th January, 2015

Dear Sirs

I would like to make the following request under the Freedom of Information Act in order to assist me with my academic research concerning Medical Locum Agencies.

1. What are your current provisions for procuring Medical Locum Agency Doctors:
 - a. Mastervend Arrangement - **No**
 - i. If yes, please state which agency
 - b. Managed Service - **No**
 - i. If yes, please state the provider
 - c. Neutral vendor arrangement - **No**
 - i. If yes, please state the provider
 - ii. Preferred Supplier arrangement – local arrangement – **Yes, Tier 1 & 2**
 - d. Preferred Supplier arrangement – national framework, ie CCS/HTE/LPP
 - i. If yes, which framework? **LPP**
 - e. Hybrid Preferred Supplier arrangement - **No**
2. Are your agency rates:
 - a. Locally agreed – **As per the LPP**
 - b. Fixed by the framework (eg, CCS) – **Yes LPP**
3. Do you find that rates are escalated over the contract rates? – **No we do not allow for escalated rates. Doing so would be in breach of LPP T&C's.**
4. Do you deduct breaks from agency doctors? **Yes**
5. Do you pay reduced rates for non-resident shifts? **No**
6. Do you pay for travel and/or accommodation costs for agency doctors? **No**
7. Do you use 'off framework' agencies, ie, those not covered by your framework? **No**
 - a. If so, please state:

- i. How you ensure compliance
- ii. How you manage pay and commission rates

8. Please state which framework you use for the provision of Medical Locums?

9. What was your total spend (excluding VAT) for 2013/2014?

	2013/14	
504100-Consultant - Locum	1,785,518	
508101-Locum Registrars	1,575,221	
510100-Locum Senior House Offr	429,115	
Grand Total	3,789,854	Incl VAT
	3,158,211	Excl 20% VAT

10. Do you use a Direct Engagement/VAT Mitigation Model, eg, Staff Flow, 24/7 time, Staffflow?
Yes, 247Time

Many thanks,

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