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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/011288**

With reference to your FOI request that was received on 13/11/2012 in connection with 'Press - Locums and Agency staff'.

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is enclosed.

Further information about your rights is also available from the Information Commissioner at:

**Information Commissioner**

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Yours sincerely

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Your request was for:

1) The highest sum paid by your Trust for a continuous shift by one locum, covering clinical care - in 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 so far.

Please can you disclose the total sum paid by the trust for the shift, including any fees paid to an agency, the type of cover being provided (eg A&E consultant) the length of the shift and the month when it took place.

2) Can you also state the highest sum paid for a continuous shift for each of these categories, again setting out the length of shift, total sum including agency fees, and the month and year it took place:

- i) A&E/Emergency doctor
- ii) Surgeon
- iii) Specialist nursing
- iv) General nursing

3) Please provide total spending on all 1. locum nursing and 2. locum medical care in 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 so far (please state the months covered in 2012/13) including agency fees.

To provide the information for your request, broken down by grade and speciality from 2010 to date would require the information to be extracted from Trust systems and then interrogated to retrieve the necessary data, for three years. To provide the information would take over 20 hours.

For previous responses to Freedom of Information requests for data on locum spend please go to the Trust website: <http://www.dgoh.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information/foi-disclosure-log/> click onto 'view the disclosure log' and type locum in the search field.

This will then retrieve responses to four Freedom of Information requests relating to Locum spend:

FOI/011029 Sunday Telegraph - Spend on Locum doctors and nurses

FOI/011072 Locum Agency spend

FOI/011090 Total departmental spend on agency medical doctor locums for the last 2 years in various departments

You can also type in the word Agency in the search field

FOI/010922 Ferrari Press Agency - Special equipment for obese patients

FOI/010982 Agency staffing

FOI/010986 Data News - Trust spend on agency staff

FOI/011043 Ferrari Press Agency - Redundancies

FOI/011072 Locum Agency spend

FOI/011090 Total departmental spend on agency medical doctor locums for the last 2 years in various departments

FOI/011093 Agency Staff

FOI/011202 Agency Staff