

8 May 2018

Our Ref: RFI 23163

**Freedom of Information Act 2000
Information in Relation to Breakdown of Agency Spend and Non Contract
Agency Spend**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to the above which you requested on 9 April 2018.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Finance and Estates Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

Under the terms of the legislation, if you are unhappy with this response you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. If you wish to do so, please write to me at the address below.

If after such a review you are still unhappy with the response, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner who will undertake an independent review. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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Information Governance Assistant

Could you please send me a breakdown of your agency spend and also non contract agency spend (non tender agreement) from April 2017 to March 2018 for the following:

Chiropodists / Podiatrists
Dieticians
Occupational Therapists
Orthoptics
Physiotherapists
Radiographers
Speech and Language Therapists
Qualified Social Workers
Social work assistants
Social Care Workers
Support workers
Biomedical Scientists
Clinical Scientist
Operating department practitioner

Please see Table 1 below providing a breakdown of agency spend and non-contract agency spend (non- tender agreement) from April 2017 to March 2018 for the specialities listed.

Table 1

	On Contract	Off Contract
Chiropodists / Podiatrists	£25,913	£10,086
Dieticians	£109,360	£6,823
Occupational Therapists	£272,995	£106,029
Orthoptics	-	-
Physiotherapists	£96,027	-
Radiographers	-	-
Speech and Language Therapists	£96,825	£3,653
Qualified Social Workers	£133,441	£44,101
Social work assistants	£1,278,097	£24,069
Social Care Workers	£1,622,028	£435,523
Support workers	£183,428	£20,499
Biomedical Scientists	£37,858	£66,940
Clinical Scientist	-	-
Operating department practitioner	-	-
Total	£3,855,971	£717,724

Please note the following:

- The figures are based on payments made to agency suppliers during the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018. They do not take into account opening and closing creditors.

- Following a regional procurement exercise new contracts were awarded on the 1st of January 2018 which resulted in more suppliers becoming on contract.
- The HSC account code structure does not identify separately the role of an Operating Department Practitioner.