

FOI Request Response information

FOI request reference:	2016/068
Date request received:	16/03/2016
Date request responded to:	14/04/2016
Category:	Workforce
Tags:	Agency, staff, agencies, personal service companies, medical, locum usage, tax, spend, cost, expenditure, shifts, contract

Request Detail:

Info re: impact of NHS Improvement's intention to eliminate the practice of agency workers using PSC's (including Umbrellas) to avoid taxes

I am assessing the impact of NHS Improvement's intention to eliminate the practice of agency workers using PSC's (including Umbrellas) to avoid taxes.

- 1) Does the trust directly engage medical locums?
- 2) In the last 12 months (or in any time in which the trust has used a direct engagement model), what is the value of spend processed via direct engagement?
- 3) In the same period, what was the trusts total expenditure on locums?
- 4) In this period, what percentage of shifts processed were:
 - PAYE?
 - Personal Service Companies (including umbrellas)?
- 5) If any 3rd parties are used to directly engage locums, when did the contract start and when does it end?
- 6) What savings has the trust made through direct engagement (to-date)?
- 7) What proportion of these savings has the trust paid to any 3rd parties (to-date)?

Response Detail:

The Trust response to your recent FOI request is as follows:

- 1) Does the trust directly engage medical locums? **Yes**
- 2) In the last 12 months (or in any time in which the trust has used a direct engagement model), what is the value of spend processed via direct engagement?

2015-16 year to date – £846k

- 3) In the same period, what was the trusts total expenditure on locums? **15-16
Locum costs £1,719,509**

4) In this period, what percentage of shifts processed were:

- PAYE?
- Personal Service Companies (including umbrellas)?

This information is not available

5) If any 3rd parties are used to directly engage locums, when did the contract start and when does it end? **October 2014 for 3 years**

6) What savings has the trust made through direct engagement (to-date)? **£145k since October 2014**

7) What proportion of these savings has the trust paid to any 3rd parties (to-date)?
None