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## Freedom of Information request 339-17

## Request

Names of all recruitment agencies used for temp and perm staff placements for all departments for NHS Borders General Hospital between April 2014 to April 2017 broke down into years i.e. April 2014- April 2015, April 2015 - April 2016 and April 2016 - April 2017?

Full cost of temp and perm staff placements via agency, incorporating all agency fees within April 2014 - April 2015, April 2015 - April 2016 and April 2016 - April 2017?

Full cost of temp and perm staff placements via agency incorporating all agency fees withing between April 2014 - April 2015, April 2015 - April 2016 and April 2016 - April 2017 for broken down into departments?

## Response

Please find attached below data as per your request:



Please note the differences reported from the level of payments in Q1 and Q3 and the total Agency Costs reported in Q2 can be explained through the level of expenditure accruals included in the total costs recorded (Q2) against where financial commitments have been incurred but which have not yet been invoiced and therefore the supplier has not yet been paid.

Please note that to provide further details of some suppliers could allow individuals to be identified and we would be in breach of the Data Protection Act 1998. We are therefore withholding this data under Section 38(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **339-17** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the

Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.