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Freedom of Information request 456-22

Request

- 1. To ask the Health Board the number of shifts in each of the last 12 months where bank, agency or guild staff cover was required?
- 2. How many of these shifts were filled/unfilled?
- 3. What has the overall spend been on bank, agency and guild staff cover in each of the last 12 months broken down by each category?

Response

- 1. & 2. In November 2020 the management of Bank and Agency staffing transferred to NHS Lothian therefore, under Section 25 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere. For your information, please find a link to NHS Lothian foi@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk
- 3. The NHS Borders total spend on bank and agency staff for September 2021 to August 2022 is shown in the attached spreadsheet:



FOI 456-22 Response Data O3.xlsx

Note: The spend on agency in Mar 22 against Admin & Clerical covers the whole financial year 2021/22 and relates to capital projects.

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 **456-22** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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