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Subject: Agency Staffing (Sterile Service)

REQUEST

- 1. What framework are you associated with for sterile service agency supply?
- 2. Who is responsible for agency usage on-framework and offframework in the Sterile Services / Decontamination Department at all hospitals associated with the Trust?
- 3. Please can you provide the contact number and email address for the manager(s) in questions 1 and 2.
- 4. Have you used off-framework agency staff between March 2023 and March 2024 in Sterile Services?
- 5. How much was your off-framework agency spend for Sterile Services between March 2023 and March 2024?
- 6. Do you currently outsource your Sterile Services / Decontamination Department, if yes, who do you outsource it to?

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

 What framework are you associated with for sterile service agency supply?

St Helens and Knowsley:

N/A – see response to question six.

Southport and Ormskirk:

N/A - not used agency staff.

2. Who is responsible for agency usage on-framework and offframework in the Sterile Services / Decontamination Department at all hospitals associated with the Trust?

St Helens and Knowsley:

N/A – see response to question six.

Southport and Ormskirk:

Procurement Department

3. Please can you provide the contact number and email address for the manager(s) in questions 1 and 2.

St Helens and Knowsley:

N/A – see response to question six.

Southport and Ormskirk:

Email: purchasing@sthk.nhs.uk

Switchboard: 0151 426 1600

4. Have you used off-framework agency staff between March 2023 and March 2024 in Sterile Services?

St Helens and Knowsley:

N/A – see response to question six.

Southport and Ormskirk:

No

5. How much was your off-framework agency spend for Sterile Services between March 2023 and March 2024?

St Helens and Knowsley:

N/A – see response to question six.

Southport and Ormskirk:

N/A

6. Do you currently outsource your Sterile Services / Decontamination Department, if yes, who do you outsource it to?

St Helens and Knowsley:

Whiston and St Helens Sterile Service outsourced to Steris.

Southport and Ormskirk:

N/A