

Ref. No: 0330 Date: 10/10/23

Subject: Nursing and Care Usage (On-Framework)

REQUEST

Please could you answer the below questions in relation to Nursing on framework supply;

- 1. Please can you confirm how many shifts have been released / allocated to ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?
- 2. In the last 60 days which wards, or departments were these ON framework requests for?
- 3. Please can you confirm how many nursing shifts have been filled by ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?
- 4. How many long-term lines of work or block bookings are currently being supplied by ON framework agencies?
- 5. Which ON framework agencies is the trust currently utilising for Nursing vacancies and what is the spend on these agencies year to date?
- 6. What is the average charge for both RMN's and RGN's from ON framework agencies?
- 7. Who at temporary staffing is responsible for onboarding new agencies and could you provide me with their contact details?

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.

1. Please can you confirm how many shifts have been released / allocated to ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?

St Helens and Knowsley:

6,236 shifts

Southport and Ormskirk:

387 shifts

2. In the last 60 days which wards, or departments were these ON framework requests for?

Please find information attached.

3. Please can you confirm how many nursing shifts have been filled by ON framework agencies within the last 60 days?

St Helens and Knowsley:

3,725 shifts filled

Southport and Ormskirk:

1,656 shifts filled

4. How many long-term lines of work or block bookings are currently being supplied by ON framework agencies?

Nil

5. Which ON framework agencies is the trust currently utilising for Nursing vacancies and what is the spend on these agencies year to date?

St Helens and Knowsley:

Please find agency information attached. Spend year to date to M6 (2023/24) - £4,615,816

Southport and Ormskirk:

Please find agency information attached. Spend year to date – £820,666

6. What is the average charge for both RMN's and RGN's from ON framework agencies?

St Helens and Knowsley:

Legacy St Helens and Knowsley sites do not use RMNs. The average rates paid for RGN's used at legacy St Helens and Knowsley sites cover an average calculation of the standard rate and escalated rate (for shifts needing last minute cover with less than 24 hours' notice).

£29.35 - day rate per hour

£35.42 – Saturday and night rate per hour

£41.47 - Sunday and Bank Holiday rate per hour

Southport and Ormskirk:

£35.20 - average hour cost

7. Who at temporary staffing is responsible for onboarding new agencies and could you provide me with their contact details?

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Southport and Ormskirk:

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