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Subject: Insourcing usage

REQUEST

Under the FOI act, please can you confirm the below:

1. Spend on Insourcing from February 2025-end of April 2025, broken down by each specialty and sub specialty, and the insourcing company that was used, e.g. cardiology £1000- echo cardiogram £1000- company x £1000
2. The budget for each specialty for insourcing.
3. What frameworks were used for each specialty and was there direct awards and if so, who was they awarded to and what specialty.
4. What was the service, e.g. theatres, outpatient, or diagnostic

RESPONSE

Response to question 1, 3 and 4

The information requested is made available by other means, therefore section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act applies.

Sources of this information include, but are not limited to the following:-

- The Trust complies with legally required publication of contract notices and contract awards in accordance with Procurement Act 2023, Public Contracts Regulations 2015, Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, any other applicable legislation, regulation or Procurement Policy Note guidance. Publication of contract requirements and awards includes information on suppliers, values and details about requirements.

- The Trust has published its list of active contracts (as at March 2025) on its website [Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust STHK | Our Services](#)

This contains information in relation to

- Contract value and description, which is required for section 1 as it will allow expenditure to be determined. The description will indicate which service it is for which covers requirements in question 1 and 4.
- Supplier name which is required for question 3
- The contracts register, as published, does not feature information around procurement route, including direct award. Please find detail of this in the final column on the attached document:-

Please note, the contracts register is being expanded and continually changes. As such, publication on our website will be repeated regularly. Therefore, if information is not presently on there, it may be available on the next publication. Therefore, section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act applies as information is scheduled for future publication, on a regular basis.

- The Trust has also completed multiple Freedom of Information requests relating to insourcing. These are publicly available [Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust - MWL NHS | Freedom of Information](#). Recent requests pertinent to insourcing include references 1333, 1421, 1635, 1690 and 1471.

Response to question 2

| Row Labels | Sum of Annual Budget |
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| CARDIO RESPIRATORY | 60,662 |
| CDC | 1,296,497 |
| COMM AND CSS ADMIN SUPPORT | 121,319 |
| GASTROENTEROLOGY | - |
| RADIOLOGY | 209,700 |
| THEATRES AND ANAESTHESIA SO | 127,772 |
| TRAUMA AND ORTHOPAEDICS | 2,159,338 |
| UROLOGY | 125,640 |
| Grand Total | 4,100,928 |