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Question/s to be Answered

1. Can you please provide me with the name, contact number & email address of the person responsible for agreeing temporary nursing off framework agency contracts for your Trust? **Karl Williamson is head of procurement however not responsible for approving agency useage – this would be done via the Director of the relevant service**

2. Please list your current off framework agencies that you are using, how often you are currently using temporary agencies for nursing staff. Answer: The nursing agencies we currently have listed and able to supply are:

Medsol, Infermeria, Your World, Just Nurses, ID Direct, National Locums, IMC Locums, Head Medical, Nursing Guild

It's hard to gauge how often we need them as normally only requested in the event of non recruitment or absence from a specific vacancy /post. At the moment we are using fairly frequently due to contracted agencies being unable to supply specific locum requested

3. Along with the above information can you please provide details on how often this is reviewed and the trusts current/future plans for recruitment agencies?

**It is only the Contracted Agencies that is reviewed every 5 years.
Non contracted agencies are used based on reliability and service from own experience**

4. Finally if you can also provide details of the names of the decision makers who ultimately decide which agencies the Trust use?

**NSS National Procurement Scotland for Contracted Agencies
Non contracted agencies are added and used as we are aware of them and removed from the list of found non reliable**