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I am writing in response to your request for information which has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Your questions and our response are below.

Question 1

- How many hours did nurses on the hospital/Trust bank work during 2017?

Month	Qualified		Unqualified		Grand Total for Month
	Bank	Agency	Bank	Agency	
January 2017	14884.00	27801.25	15866.75	1922.00	60474.00
February 2017	14688.75	27761.75	15563.75	1769.00	59783.25
March 2017	17890.90	29590.00	17416.05	1637.75	66534.70
April 2017	14599.30	23968.66	16894.96	2140.50	57603.42
May 2017	17014.50	26766.00	16409.00	2324.50	62514.00
June 2017	16203.49	25356.25	16596.75	1460.50	59616.99
July 2017	16864.75	26579.50	19695.50	1072.00	64211.75
August 2017	17382.00	26937.50	20307.75	1729.25	66356.50
September 2017	18024.75	27985.00	18464.95	1815.00	66289.70
October 2017	18548.50	28579.00	18454.00	2081.50	67663.00
November 2017	19217.25	27393.25	19486.75	2120.00	68217.25
December 2017	16701.00	26792.25	17323.25	2449.00	63265.50

Data shown in the table above is for hours.

- How many nurses from the hospital/Trust bank worked during 2017? [Please see table below](#)
- How much did the Trust spend on bank nurses in 2017? [Please see table below](#)
- How many hours did external temporary (agency) nurses work for the Trust during 2017? [Number of hours detailed in the table above.](#)
- How much did the Trust spend on external temporary (agency) nursing staff during 2017? [Please see table below](#)

Total spend on bank and agency nurses in 2017		
	Agency	Bank
Unqualified Nursing	420,270	2,906,207
Qualified Nursing	12,280,646	5,078,867
Total	12,700,916	7,985,074

Question 2

- How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) are employed by the Trust on permanent or fixed term contracts? [855.10](#)
- How many vacancies for registered nurses (full time equivalent) on permanent or fixed term contracts are there in the Trust? [283.55](#)
- How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) employed permanently or on fixed term by the Trust resigned or retired during 2017? [159.04](#)
- How many registered nurses (full time equivalent) joined the Trust under permanent or fixed-term employment during 2017? [111.60](#)

Question 3

- How many new registered nurses is the Trust planning to train using apprenticeship levy funding? [No plans currently](#)
- How many new nursing associates is the Trust planning to train using apprenticeship levy funding? [We have recruited 12 internally to start on a programme March / April, dependant on a training provider being appointed, with further plans to recruit to a second cohort in Sept 2018 \(approximately 20\).](#)

Question 4

- How many student nurses did the Trust support on practice placements in 2017? [See table below:](#)
- How many of the student nurses on practice placement in 2017 were recruited by your Trust once qualified? [Final numbers for 2018 not confirmed yet as recruitment is still ongoing, we are expecting approximately 63 new starters.](#)
- How many student nurses does the Trust plan to support on practice placements in 2018? [See table below:](#)

Students supported in 2017 & those planned for 2018

	2017	2018
Year 1	93	63
Year 2	55	90
Year 3	78	55
Total	226	208