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## Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing to you to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please send me:

- Total spend on the use of clinical insourcing (not agency/locum or outsourcing) in the current 2020/21 financial year. Please breakdown this FY only into each month.
- Total spend on the use of clinical insourcing (not agency/locum or outsourcing) in the 2019/20 financial year.
- Total spend on the use of clinical insourcing (not agency/locum or outsourcing) in the 2018/19 financial year.
- Total spend on the use of clinical insourcing (not agency/locum or outsourcing) in the 2017/18 financial year.

I would like the above information to be provided to me via excel to this email address.

Insourcing - not to be confused with outsourcing - is where a third party provider of secondary care uses an NHS organisation's premises and equipment to deliver extra clinical capacity, outside of when they are normally in use. In most cases it is essentially an extension of a hospital's existing clinical service.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. I have already searched to see if any of this information is already in the public domain (including via your own site) so please respond via the request.

If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, I ask that you supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement and remind you that information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

I understand that you are required to respond to my request within the 20 working days after you receive this letter. I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Paul Smith

**Locally we call Medinet 'insourcing' in DBTH – this is an independent provider who does work onsite under our governance regs, primarily to differentiate from proper outsourcing and other service provision but that is a local definition.**

**Technically insourcing is any activity performed by an organisation which used to be outsourced, which we do not have.**

**Can you please further clarify the request.**