In response to your Freedom of Information request regarding agency frameworks, please find below the answers to the questions you asked.

1. Which framework agreement is currently being utilised?
   - HTE, CCS, CPP - For agency nurses
   - HTE - For locum doctors

2. Please advise if the agreement has an end date?
   - Approx. 2019 – For agency nurses
   - July 2017 (but may be extended to July 2018) and is renewable thereafter – For locum doctors

3. Are the Trust willing to access all available national framework agreements, for example CCS, CPP and HTE?
   - Yes – For agency nurses
   - The trust is happy with using HTE at the moment – For locum doctors

4. Please advise who is responsible for the procurement of these staffing groups?
   - The nurse bank places bookings with agencies on behalf of the Trust.
   - Doctors are procured directly by the Trust from agencies using the HTE framework, with bookings placed by the HR Department on behalf of the Trust.

I hope that this response answers your request, however please let me know if it does not.

If you are unhappy with the Trust’s response you can appeal to:

Jo Chambers, Chief Executive
The Royal Orthopaedic NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Bristol Road South
Birmingham
B31 2AP

If you then remain dissatisfied, you have the right under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act to apply to the Information Commissioner to seek resolution to the matter.

Further details can be found on the website: [http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk/](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk/)
Yours sincerely

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