

**Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2022.126  
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Thank you for your email received 3 August 2022 requesting information regarding sterile services.

Please find detailed below a summary of your request, together with our response.

***Summary of your original request:***

***1. Who is the head of procurement responsible for approving agency usage for Sterile Services at Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust?***

***2. Who is responsible for agency usage (on and off framework) in the Sterile Services/Decontamination department at all hospitals associated with the Trust?***

***3. Please can you provide the contact number and email address for the manager(s) in questions 1 and 2.***

***4. Have you used off-framework agency staff between March 2021 - March 2022 in Sterile Services?***

***5. How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for Sterile Services between August 2021 and August 2022?***

***6. Do you currently outsource your Sterile Services/Decontamination department, if yes, who do you outsource it to?***

The Trust does not have a Sterile Services or Contamination Department; therefore we do not hold any information pertinent to your request.

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