

## RDF1467-23 Agency Midwives

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

*To whom it may concern,*

*I am writing to request, under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the following:*

- 1. How much have you spent on agency midwives each of the last five years?*

*Answer:*

*Northern Services:*

<i>Royal Devon Eastern &amp; Northern Services:</i>	<i>Total spent on agency midwives per year</i>
<i>2022-2023:</i>	14,087,609
<i>2021-2022:</i>	10,798,320
<i>2020-2021:</i>	8,111,975
<i>2019-2020:</i>	9,867,514
<i>2018-2019:</i>	11,576,469

- 2. What was the most expensive agency midwife shift over the last five years?*

<i>Royal Devon</i>	<i>The most expensive agency midwife shift 2018-2023:</i>
<i>Northern Services:</i>	£919.62
<i>Eastern Services:</i>	Nil - agencies are not used for midwifery shifts