

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI/0324/763

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Dear

**FOI-0324-763**

**Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information received on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board can provide the following information.

An anonymised copy of this response will be made publicly available on the ICB website.

Please see our responses in blue below:

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

- 1. The median length of time from referral to autism services to receiving an autism assessment in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for children?**
- 2. The median length of time from referral to autism services to receiving an autism assessment in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for adults?**
- 3. The median length of time from referral to autism services to receiving the final outcome of an autism assessment (i.e. a positive or negative diagnosis) in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for children?**
- 4. The median length of time from referral to autism services to receiving the final outcome of an autism assessment (i.e. a positive or negative diagnosis) in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for adults?**
- 5. The conversion rate of autism assessments to autism diagnoses in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for children?**
- 6. The conversion rate of autism assessments to autism diagnoses in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for adults?**
- 7. What support and further referral is routinely offered to children who receive an autism diagnosis through Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS?**
- 8. What support and further referral is routinely offered to adults in who receive an autism diagnosis through Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS?**

9. What support and further referral is routinely offered to children who undergo an assessment for autism through Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS but do not receive a diagnosis?
10. What support and further referral is routinely offered to adults who undergo an assessment for autism through Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS but do not receive a diagnosis?
11. What standardised tools are currently used in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for the screening and/or triage of children who seek an autism assessment?
12. What standardised tools are currently used in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent for the screening and/or triage of adults who seek an autism assessment?

Please be advised that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold this information. Your request should be sent to the following Providers:

**North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust**

<https://www.combined.nhs.uk/get-in-touch/freedom-of-information/>

**Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust**

<https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-information>

The following Provider should be contacted in respect of Autistic Adults in South Staffordshire:

**Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust**

[Freedom of Information :: Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust](#)

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

**To request an internal review**

You can request an internal review by contacting the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board FOI team by emailing the team at [StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk](mailto:StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk) or by post to the address at the top of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board's FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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