

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-06-405

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Dear

FOI-06-405

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 8th June 2023. 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:

How many patients have been screened for breast cancer within your organisation in the last 12 months?

Breast Cancer Screening is Commissioned by NHS England and delivered through multiple NHS providers. The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold screening data in that way.

Breast Screening coverage for people aged 50 – 70 is published nationally. The latest data is for year 2021/2022 and the coverage count for the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent is 103,747.

How many patients attended symptomatic clinics for potential breast cancer within your organisation within the last 12 months?

The ICB does not hold that data as people can be referred to symptomatic clinics from multiple routes including emergency portals as well as GP referrals. For number of attendances this question should be raised with each NHS acute Trust.

As a proxy I can confirm there were 10,361 two-week referrals of people with symptoms suspected of having breast cancer registered with Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent GPs between April 2022 and March 2023.

Over the last 12 months, how many patients has your organisation treated or screened for breast cancer with the following modalities?

- 1. Mammography**
- 2. Tomosynthesis**
- 3. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)**
- 4. Computerised Tomography (CT)**

How many mammography examinations have taken place in the last 12 months?

- How many of the above patients received contrast media enhanced mammography?**

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold this data. This question should be raised with each NHS Acute Trust although they may not hold the data in the way described.

The contact details for the Acute Trusts across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent are as follows:

University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust

<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Trust

<https://www.uhdb.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information-foi/>

Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

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

How many individual devices does your organisation have for patients to access within your geographical catchment area?

- 1. Standard Mammography**
- 2. Digital Mammography**
- 3. Tomosynthesis**
- 4. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)**
- 5. Computerised Tomography (CT)**

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How many private providers offer access for potential breast cancer patients within your catchment area to the following modalities?

- 1. Mammography**
- 2. Tomosynthesis**
- 3. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)**
- 4. Computerised Tomography (CT)**

If yes to the above question, please can you name those providers?

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold this data. People suspected of having breast cancer by their GP with symptoms meeting referral criteria for a two week wait for breast cancer will be referred to one of the local NHS Trusts (unless the patient requests a Trust further away).

NHS Urgent two week wait cancer referrals by GPs in this ICB are not made directly to independent sector providers private providers. The ICB does not hold records on Non-NHS patients seen in the independent sector for potential breast cancer, for example self-funders or insurance / workplace funded. There are numerous private sector providers that offer breast services including imaging and services for people with or without symptoms, but the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does record this non-NHS activity or imaging modalities used.

If this query relates to acute NHS Trusts referring NHS patients to independent sector providers for breast cancer related imaging, we would therefore recommend your request should be raised with each NHS acute Trust (contact details provided above).

If this query relates to non-NHS breast cancer related imaging then we would recommend your request should be raised with independent sector providers directly.

Right of Appeal

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 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

Yours sincerely

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