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Sent by email

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Dear

FOI-0525/1279

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for additional information received on 6th May 2025. 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 note the ICBs responses in blue.

1. *Has your ICB developed any local planning documents, protocols or guidance specifically relating to managing pancreatic cancer enzyme replacement therapy (PERT) shortages, including but not limited to Creon, between January 2023 and present? Please respond with yes or no.*

No

- a. *If yes to question 1, please provide copies of all such documents, protocols or guidance.*
2. *Has your ICB procured any alternative PERT products from overseas suppliers between January 2023 and present? Please respond with yes or no.*

No

- a. *If yes to question 2, please answer the following:*
 - i. *Which countries were these products sourced from?*
 - ii. *How many 'special order' prescriptions for these products have been dispensed?*
 - iii. *What percentage of the local demand has been covered by these overseas products?*
 - iv. *How many Trusts within your ICS have used these products?*
3. *Please provide details of:*
 - a. *Any risk assessments conducted regarding PERT / Creon shortages and;*
 - b. *Any monitoring systems put in place to track local supply levels, between January 2023 and present.*

N/A

To request an internal review

You can request an internal review by contacting the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB FOI team by emailing; staffsstokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk or by post to the address at the top of this letter within 40 working days of the initial response.

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

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decision unless you have exhausted the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board's FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Yours sincerely

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