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Sent by email

Dear

FOI/1125/1500

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email dated Friday 7th November 2025 for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We can now confirm that 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. The ICBs response is provided below in blue text.

You have requested:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information regarding NHS Continuing Healthcare (CHC) packages for adults aged 18+ within your local ICB, except for questions 1, 2, 5 and 8 where information is required for both adults aged 18+ and children aged 0-18 years old.

For clarity, CHC refers to the NHS Continuing Healthcare funding pathway. For further information please see: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/healthcare/>. Homecare refers to packages of care delivered in the individuals' own homes (not in care homes or residential facilities).

Please provide data for the following financial years: 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 (projected) except questions 6 and 7 which require a current snapshot. If any data for 2024/25 is not available, please provide budgeted figures for the year or the latest snapshot data that is available.

For any years predating the existence of the ICB, please provide the data for the former CCG(s) that now makes up the ICB.

Where possible, please kindly include responses on the attached spreadsheet.

1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for packages of CHC funded home care for (a) adults aged 18+ and (b) children aged 0-18 years old.

2. Please provide the number of people in receipt of CHC funded home care packages (all active packages during the year including those which started prior) for (a) adults aged 18+ and (b) children aged 0-18 years old.

3. ***Please provide the total number of CHC funded home care hours delivered for adults aged 18+.***
4. ***Please provide the ICB's total gross expenditure on CHC funded packages for adults aged 18+.***
5. ***Please provide the ICB's total gross expenditure on CHC funded home care packages for (a) adults aged 18+ and (b) children aged 0-18 years old.***
6. ***Please provide the lowest, mean and highest hourly rate for CHC funded home care packages for adults aged 18+ for 2021/22 to 2024/25, as well as a current snapshot.***
7. ***Please provide the lowest, mean and highest weekly fee for CHC funded home care packages for children aged 0-18 for 2021/22 to 2024/25, as well as a current snapshot.***
8. ***Please provide a list of the top 10 providers who received the greatest amount of funding from CHC funded home care packages. Please provide data for the last financial year 2024/25 for both (a) adults aged 18+ and (b) children aged 0-18 years old.***
 - i. ***For each provider, please provide the number of CHC funded home care packages in 2024/25 (all active packages during the year including those which started prior).***
 - ii. ***For each provider, please provide total expenditure in 2024/25 related to CHC funded home care.***

Please our response in the attached spreadsheet as requested in your email.

Please note that we have applied a Public Interest Test (PIT) to your request as some of the requested information is covered under S.43(1) and (2) Commercial Interests. We have attached the PIT for information.

We have also applied S.40(2) and S.40(3) GDPR data suppression and data protection exemptions to some of the information where we consider supplying the information could re-identify and individual.

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

The ICO can be contacted at:



**Staffordshire and
Stoke-on-Trent**
Integrated Care Board

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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Yours sincerely

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CHC funded home care FOI Answers

ICB:
 Date:

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1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for packages of CHC funded home care for:	Name	Job title	Telephone No.	Email Address
(a) for adults aged 18+				
(b) children aged 0-18 years old				

2. Please provide the number of people in receipt of a CHC funded home care package (all active packages during the year including those which started prior) for:	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26 (projected)
(a) adults aged 18+	1,513.0	1,590.0	1,628.0	1,560.0	1,538.0
(b) children aged 0-18 years old.	38.0	38.0	49.0	48.0	86.0

3. Please provide the total number of CHC funded home care hours delivered for adults aged 18+	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26 (projected)
	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded

4. Please provide the ICB's total gross expenditure on CHC funded packages for adults aged 18+	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26 (projected)
	145,164,061.2	184,549,483.5	224,500,742.4	220,645,160.0	197,800,104.8

5. Please provide the ICB's total gross expenditure on CHC funded home care packages for:	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26 (projected)
(a) adults aged 18+	15,554,765.7	22,148,185.1	24,874,617.5	42,348,570.6	21,378,224.7
(b) children aged 0-18 years old	3,994,132.7	5,662,958.3	6,438,456.5	6,572,046.6	6,753,938.7

6. Please provide the lowest, mean and highest hourly rate for CHC funded home care packages for adults aged 18+	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	Current snapshot
Lowest hourly rate	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded
Mean hourly rate	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded
Highest hourly rate	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded	Not Recorded

7. Please provide the lowest, mean and highest weekly fee for CHC funded home care packages for adults aged 18+	2021/2022	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	Current snapshot
Lowest weekly fee	111.4	109.7	13.8	103.3	129.8
Mean weekly fee	1,311.8	1,496.7	1,680.1	2,565.5	1,816.7
Highest weekly fee	8,908.2	20,457.0	22,285.9	14,425.3	9,246.7

note: used active as at end of year, total per patient at that point in time, not package as can have multiple packages. Cost may include one off costs as well as weekly on going costs as these can't be separated on the system

8. (a) For adults aged 18+ please provide a list of the top ten providers who receive the greatest amount of funding from CHC funded home care packages in 2023/24	Provider	(i) Number of packages	(ii) Total expenditure
(i) For each provider, please provide the number of CHC funded home care packages in 2023/24 (all active packages during the year including those which started prior)	AMG Consultancy	31	Public Interest Test applied
(ii) For each provider, please provide total expenditure in 2023/24 related to CHC funded home care	Austin Ben Limited - Austin	14	Public Interest Test applied
	AMG Consultancy	51	Public Interest Test applied
	Apollo Home	9	Public Interest Test
	Active	9	Public Interest Test
	AMG Consultancy	11	Public Interest Test applied
	iCare Living	7	Public Interest Test
	Gracious Healthcare services ltd -	10	Public Interest Test applied
	Abimatic Care Ltd. - 178	115	Public Interest Test applied
		10	Public Interest Test

2024/25			
8. (b) For children aged 0-18 years old please provide a list of the top ten providers who receive the greatest amount of funding from CHC funded home care packages in 2023/24	Provider	(i) Number of packages	(ii) Total expenditure
(i) For each provider, please provide the number of CHC funded home care packages in 2023/24 (all active packages during the year including those which started prior)	Independent Clinical Services - Registered Address	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-identified
(ii) For each provider, please provide total expenditure in 2023/24 related to CHC funded home care	Midlands Partnership	21	2,248,538.5
	PULSE Healthcare Limited - Head	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	AMG	7	382,776.8
	MedGen Limited - London	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	Apollo Home Healthcare - West Midlands	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	Secure Healthcare Ltd - Grand Station	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	MUVE Homecare Limited - Muve	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	Jane Lewis - Jane Lewis	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-
	Greenstaff Community - Greenstaff	S40(2) and S40(3a/b)	Personal Identifiable information low numbers could be re-

Public Interest Test

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FOIA Exemption S.43 (1) and (2) – Commercial Interests	
<i>Factors supporting disclosure</i>	<i>Factors supporting non-disclosure</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a clear public interest test in the work of government being closely examined to encourage the discharging of public functions in the most efficient and effective way; • There is an important public interest in the work of public bodies being transparent and open to scrutiny to increase diligence and to protect the public purse; • There is a public interest test in disclosing information about transparency in the spending of public money and that public bodies are getting value for money when entering into contracts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The procurement process must be demonstrably fair, ensuring that all suppliers are treated equitably and that the commercial interests of service providers are not compromised by the disclosure of commercially sensitive information. Maintaining supplier confidence is essential to foster competition and achieve best value for taxpayers. The pricing aspects outlined in the existing contract may be construed as a “trade secret” in that it is a strategy owned and developed by the contractors. If the pricing was made available to competitors in the marketplace it would undermine the commercial interests of the contractors when bidding for other contracts by reducing their competitive edge, for example our ADAM Dynamic Purchasing System; Disclosure of cost details would significantly compromise our ability to secure best value for money in future negotiations, as the rates and methodologies remain current and commercially sensitive. The contractor employs a proprietary approach to structuring its rates, prices, and percentages, which provides a distinct competitive advantage. Disclosure of this information would prejudice the contractor’s position in future tendering exercises by exposing commercially sensitive strategies to competitors. Public release of such

	details could undermine the contractor's financial standing and ability to secure future contracts and negotiate fees effectively.
<p>Conclusion: there are compelling arguments which support withholding the information which outweigh those supporting release.</p> <p>PIT Members: PHC Finance Manager, Governance team</p> <p>Date of Public Interest Test: 28/11/2025</p>	