



Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI/0424/808

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Sent by email

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Dear

**FOI/0424/808**

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

Thank you for your request for information received on the 17<sup>th</sup> April 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:

**Please could I ask for the following information related to Personal Health Budgets (Direct Payments) that you are responsible for under NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board?**

- 1. What is the standard rate set at for carers in Personal Health Budgets (Direct Payments) when calculating a PHB?**

Please find attached document detailing information as requested.

- 2. What is the process for determining this rate for carers within a Personal Health Budget (Direct Payment)?**

The process is set out by the nurse assessor when assessing the patient and the rates set out by the ICB.

- 3. Which organisation decides / has authority on setting/finalising this rate (e.g. ICB, Local Authority, etc) for Personal Health Budgets (Direct Payments) that you are responsible for under NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board?**

The responsibility is with the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB.

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

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Yours sincerely

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