



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

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Dear

FOI-0624-870

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 6th June 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 find below a Freedom of Information request pursuant to the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000. I would prefer to receive the information in electronic format, and in Microsoft Excel if possible.

1. Do you collect or hold data on the following:

- a) **The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare by age (e.g. date of birth).**
- b) **The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare by gender.**
- c) **The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare by ethnicity.**
- d) **The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare by patient diagnosis type.**

Please complete the table with a yes or no. If yes to any, please specify the year from which data is available.

	By age (e.g. date of birth)	By gender	By ethnicity	By patient diagnosis type
Number of assessments for standard NHS continuing healthcare				
Number of assessments for fast-track NHS continuing healthcare				
Number of individuals eligible for standard NHS continuing healthcare				
Number of individuals eligible for fast-track NHS continuing healthcare				

2. If the answer to any of the above was yes, for each of the years from April 2017 to March 2024 please provide (by quarter):

- a) The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare by age (broken down into these age bands: 18-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65-74, 75-84, 85+).
- b) The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track continuing healthcare broken down by gender.
- c) The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare broken down by ethnicity.
- d) The number of assessments and the number of individuals eligible for standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare broken down by patient diagnosis type.

Please provide the numbers for standard and fast-track continuing healthcare separately.

3. Please provide the number of people who – as of 31st March 2024 - were receiving NHS continuing healthcare funding in each of the locations listed below. Please provide the figures for people receiving standard and fast-track continuing healthcare separately.
 - In their own home
 - In a residential care home
 - In a hospice
 - In a nursing home
 - Other: please specify
4. Please provide the number of people who – as of 31st March 2024 - were registered in the ICS and were receiving NHS continuing healthcare funding outside the area covered by the ICS. Please provide the figures for people who are receiving standard and fast-track NHS continuing healthcare separately.
5. Please provide total ICB (and if possible, its predecessor CCGs) expenditure on NHS continuing healthcare from 2017-18 to the latest available in-year figure for 2023-24. Please make clear within the release how total expenditure has been defined – for example whether the figure provided is total net or total gross expenditure.
6. Where held, please provide, from 2017-18 to the latest available in-year figure for 2023-24, NHS continuing healthcare expenditure broken down by:
 - a) The following funding types:
 - I. Standard NHS continuing healthcare.
 - II. Fast Track NHS continuing healthcare.
 - III. NHS-funded nursing care.
 - b) Care packages for standard NHS continuing healthcare broken down into these age bands: 18-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65-74, 75-84, 85+
 - c) Care packages for standard NHS continuing healthcare by patient diagnosis type.
 - d) Cost of reimbursements for care following a successful appeal.
7. For each of the years from April 2017 to March 2024 please provide the minimum, mean and maximum amount of time taken between a decision on eligibility and a care package commencing:
 - a) For standard NHS continuing healthcare.
 - b) For fast-track NHS continuing healthcare.

8. For each of the years from April 2017 to March 2024 please provide:
- a) The number of requests made to your ICB (and previously CCGs) for an independent review panel following a local review upholding a decision of ineligibility for NHS continuing healthcare.
 - b) The number of decisions of ineligibility for NHS continuing healthcare made by your ICB (and previously CCGs) that were overturned at the independent review panel.
 - c) The number of decisions of ineligibility for NHS continuing healthcare made by your ICB (and previously CCGs) that were upheld at the independent review panel.

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
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Yours sincerely

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