

Our Ref: JC/PW/FOI-10-134

6<sup>th</sup> October 2022

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Sent by email

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Dear

**FOI-10-134**

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

Thank you for your request dated the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does not hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below

**I am undertaking some research into the level of funding provided by Integrated Care Boards for MS patients in their area and will be grateful if you would supply me the following information.**

- 1) How many people in your area have been diagnosed with MS?**
- 2) If possible, please provide a breakdown of those with Remitting MS and those with Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive)?**
- 3) If possible, please provide a breakdown of 2) above showing those that are Male or Female and age (within bands of 10 years from 0 upwards)?**
- 4) What is the total annual funding provided in respect of MS. Please provide a breakdown of the funding that relates to “core service provision” and the amount that relates to individual treatment (such as cost of medication, etc).**
- 5) If funding is being used for the provision of medication, please say what the average annual spend is for those patients who have Remitting MS and those that have Progressive MS (if data is available)?**
- 6) In relation to those patients who have Secondary Progressive MS, do you help fund the cost of the patient receiving Siponimod (Mayzent). If yes, please provide the total number of cases where funding is being provided and average annual spend. If you do not provide funding for such cases, would you consider to do so if the patient contributed towards the funding?**
- 7) If known, do you contribute towards the domiciliary care costs of patients who have Progressive MS (including Secondary Progressive). If so, please say the average annual spend?**

Please be advised that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does not hold the information requested. Your request should be directed to the Acute Trust Providers as detailed below:

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/>

### **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](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

[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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