

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-09-106

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Dear

**FOI FOI-09-106:
Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request dated the 8th September 2022. We can confirm that Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does not hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below:

How many patients have been referred out of region to another Hospital / specialist, due to lack of regional provision within the CCG / ICS for?

Hip pathology / a hip related problem - and

- The age of the patient
- What the diagnosis was (ie Femoroacetabular impingement, Hip dysplasia, post paediatric hip deformity (ie perthes, SUFE), a young adult or adolescent hip problem.
- The age of the patient
- Which Hospital referred them
- Where they were referred to
- What cost the ICS had to pay to fund their treatment out of region
- The annual total of these costs (above) for the years - 2017-2018/ 2018-2019/ 2019-2020

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold the information requested. Due to the geography of Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent many of our patients routinely access acute hospital care at NHS providers, in Derbyshire, Birmingham, the Black Country, Shropshire and Cheshire as these facilities are close to where they live and are essentially their local hospitals.

The premise of the question is that access to providers outside of our geography would be due to lack of local provision, but in reality, these services are the local provision for most of the patients accessing them.

The ICB does not hold the detailed information requested.

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 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 FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely

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