

Our Ref: PW/KJJ/FOI/1225/1526

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Dear

FOI/1225/1526

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, received on the 1 December 2025. We can now 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 note the ICBs responses in [blue text](#).

1. Current FND Services in Your Area

- **Do you commission any specialist services for FND (neurology, neuro-physiotherapy, neuro-rehabilitation, neuropsychiatry/psychology, MDT clinics, etc.)?**
- **Please list the relevant services and locations.**

Functional Neurological Disorder care is part of our contract with Midlands Partnership Foundation Trust (MPFT). For specific services that they provide, please re-direct your enquiry to them on: foi@mpft.nhs.uk

2. Referral Process

- **How can patients be referred into these services?**
- **Are referrals accepted from GP's directly, or via neurology only?**
- **Are there specific referral criteria or exclusion criteria?**
- **Do services accept referrals from outside the immediate locality?**

[SSOT ICB does not hold this information, it would need to be requested from MPFT.](#)

3. Gaps or Partial Provision

- **If FND services are limited or not currently commissioned, how should patients in your area access appropriate assessment and treatment?**
- **Are there alternative pathways, interim arrangements, or cross-ICB agreements in place?**
- **Are you aware of any planned service improvements or commissioning work relating to FND?**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not currently have any service changes planned.

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:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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