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Sent by email

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Dear

FOI/0525/1292

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 23rd May 2025. 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.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information:

- 1. Do any hospitals within your ICB provide a thoracoscopy services (rigid and/or semi-rigid)?**
- 2. If so, please specify:**
 - 2.1 The type(s) of thoracoscopy available if known (rigid and or semi-rigid).**
 - 2.2 Please provide the manufacturer and model of the thoracoscopy equipment currently in use.**
 - 2.3 The location where these procedures are carried out (e.g., operating theatres, endoscopy unit, procedural room, etc.).**
 - 2.4 The department responsible for these procedures.**
 - 2.5 The number of thoracoscopy procedures performed annually (if available).**

We can advise that the ICB does not hold the information you are requesting. The majority of our patients seek diagnostics from the following acute Trusts where you can obtain the information from:

- University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM); foi@uhnms.nhs.uk
- University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Trust (UHDB); uhdb.foi@nhs.net
- Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust (RWT); rwh-tr.foi@nhs.net
- Dudley Group of Hospitals; dgft.foi@nhs.net
- Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust; wht.foi@nhs.net

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

Head of Governance