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Sent by email

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Dear

FOI-11-633

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 16th November 2023. 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:

I am writing to formally request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, seeking details about Flexible Pool solutions operated by ICBs across England.

1. Kindly provide the names of supplier(s) contracted for flexible pool solutions by the ICB?

Lantum is the current supplier. In 2022/2023 we commissioned from Find me a Locum which is no longer in place.

2. If the provision and/or funding responsibility has been delegated to other organisations, please provide the names of these entities and the suppliers they have contracted with?

This has not been delegated.

3. Identify the team or individual responsible for procuring the supplier(s) mentioned in question 1?

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB Primary Care Team.

4. Please disclose the annual payments made or scheduled to be made to each provider mentioned in questions 1 and 2 for the financial years ending on 31 March 2023, and 2024?

Payment made to Lantum in financial year ending March 2024: £112k. Payment made to Find me a Locum financial year ending March 2023: £90,946.

5. State the contract end dates for any existing contracts with each provider noted in questions 1 and 2?

- Lantum start date: 1st September 2023. End date: 31st August 2024.
- 'Find me a Locum' start date: 1st December 2021. End date 31st April 2023.

6. With regards to the platforms provided by suppliers identified in questions 1 and 2, provide the monthly count of sessions advertised by GP practices and the number of those sessions successfully filled by locum GPs. Organize this information by geographical area (excluding data for extended access services) for the 6-month period ending on 31 July 2023. Additionally, include the count of locum GPs who have filled shifts during the same 6-month period?

The ICB do not hold this level of information.

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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**Staffordshire and
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Integrated Care Board

Yours sincerely

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