

Our Ref: SY/AKB/FOI-07-059

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Sent by email Telephone: 0300 123 1461

Dear Sir/Madam

## FOI FOI-07-059:

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

Thank you for your request dated the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022. We can confirm that Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below / attached:

Under the freedom of information act I would like to request data on the strain that Covid-19 put on the mental health services. Something along the lines of a comparison between the number of patients waiting for treatment pre- and post-pandemic (so 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 numbers).

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board (ICB) does not hold information on the numbers of individual patients waiting for specific treatments. Please redirect your Freedom of Information request to the following Providers:

Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust Foi@mpft.nhs.uk

North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust FOIREquests@combined.nhs.uk

Alternatively, information of patients in mental health care VERSUS facilities in mental healthcare in those years.

Unfortunately, we do not understand your question as it is written to provide an answer. Should you wish to ascertain the number of patients supported by each Mental Health Care facility, please redirect to Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust as detailed above.

## 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

Chair: Prem Singh Interim Chief Executive Officer: Peter Axon



You can request an internal review by contacting the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board FOI team by emailing the team at <a href="mailto:StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk">StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk</a> 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 Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire. SK9 5AF www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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