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Dear

FOI-0524-837

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 15th May 2024. 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 request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I would like to receive the following information about the services provided by the Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent ICS.

- 1. The number of people on waiting lists to register for an NHS dentist in the ICS?**
- 2. The current average waiting times for patients on the waiting list to register for an NHS dentist in the ICS?**
- 3. The above information; but specified for under eighteens?**
- 4. Any targets set by the ICS for maximum waiting times to register for an NHS dentist?**
- 5. The steps being taken by the ICS – if relevant – to manage and reduce waiting list times to access NHS dentistry?**

Please be advised that patient registration was abolished in England on the 1st April 2006 when the current NHS dental contract was introduced.

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not hold any data regarding the number of patients that are wanting to be seen by dental practices across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent.

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
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Yours sincerely

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