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Dear

FOI-0624-860

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 1st June 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:

We are aware of the NHS England FASP 20 week scan guidance document. “*There is no requirement to archive images of the fetal cardiac protocol views*”. However, we are aware there is disparity amongst NHS hospital trusts nationally when congenital heart defects are not identified at this scan. We understand some hospital trusts do not retain fetal cardiac images, some do, and some retain video clips, and some retain both. There does not seem to be any consistency.

We have been advised by NHS England that they do not hold the following information as it is “granular”. We have been advised to approach each of the ICS/ICB’s in England. We have been advised the regional CHD networks also do not hold the information.

Our questions are;

- 1. *Which hospital trusts within your ICS perform antenatal screening, including the 20 week fetal anomaly scan?***
- 2. *When congenital heart defects are not identified during screening at the 20 week fetal anomaly scan;***
 - a) *Which hospital trusts within your ICS do not retain the fetal cardiac views?***
 - b) *For how long has each hospital trust within your ICS not retained the fetal cardiac views?***

1. ***When congenital heart defects are not identified during screening at the 20 week fetal anomaly scan;***
 - a) ***Which hospitals trusts within your ICS do retain the fetal cardiac views?***
 - b) ***For how long has each hospital trust within your ICS retained the fetal cardiac views?***
 - c) ***Concerning the trusts which do currently retain cardiac views when congenital heart defects are not identified, please clarify whether these trusts retain still images or video clips or both.***

Please be advised that the ICB does not hold the information requested. Your request should be redirected to University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (contact details below).

University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust

<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

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
Cheshire
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www.ico.gov.uk



**Staffordshire and
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Yours sincerely

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