

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-05-375

15th May 2023

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Sent by email

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Dear

FOI-05-375

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 12th May 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 request information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding Enfit Syringes for administration of medicines via enteral feeds

Background

Enfit syringes are used for administration of medicines via enteral feeding tubes and cannot be prescribed on FP10. Please could you provide us with the following information on your arrangements for supply of Enfit syringes to help inform our commissioning intentions.

1. Do you have arrangements in place for the provision of Enfit Syringes for administration of medicines via enteral feeds for patients within the community?

If NO please confirm if patients are expected to source and purchase themselves?

If YES Please give details of:

- Which health care sector supplies the syringes (e.g. community pharmacy, HENS team, GP practice etc)**
- Is the supply patient or healthcare initiated?**
- What is the mechanism used for initiating and delivering/ collecting a supply?**
- Is counselling on the administration of the medicine(s) included in the service?**
- Are all patient groups included?**

- **Quantity, frequency and size of syringes supplied?**
- **How supply is initiated/monitored.**
- **Please provide a service specification if in place.**

Please be advised that this information is not held by the ICB. Your request should be sent to the following Providers:

University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust
<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Trust
<https://www.uhdb.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information-foi/>

Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
<https://www.royalwolverhampton.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information/>

2. Do you have a Policy or guidance relating to the administration of medicines via enteral tubes?

If YES, please provide.

See response to question 1 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

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
SK9 5AF

www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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