



**Staffordshire and  
Stoke-on-Trent**  
Integrated Care Board

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Dear

**FOI-0224-745**

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

Thank you for your request for information received on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 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:

**Please could you provide me with the information relating to my questions below:**

- 1. Please can you provide the name and email address of the medicines management team member who led on the Eye Care (Chapter 11) formulary review when it was last reviewed?**

The ICB does not hold this information.

- 2. Please can you provide the name and email address of the member of the ICS Medicines management team who is currently responsible for overseeing Eye Care formularies?**

Not applicable.

- 3. Do you have an area prescribing committee/Medicines Optimisation Committees/ Medicines advisory group or similarly named group that manages your drug formulary decisions?**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Medicines Optimisation Group.

**4. Please can you provide the names and email addresses of all members of these formulary groups?**

Please be advised that Section 40.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 has been applied to this question as the information is deemed 'personal data' and is not readily available in the public domain.

**5. Please can you provide copies of the previous two minutes from the Area Prescribing Committee/ Medicines Optimisation Committees/ Medicines advisory group or similarly named groups meetings?**

Please find attached minutes approved for the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and the 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024 which have been redacted in respect of names which are not available in the public domain (see question four above).

**6. I would be grateful if you could confirm for which products within Chapter 11 (Eye) of your formulary, you have a primary care rebate in place, when the agreement commenced, the rebate amount and the end date?**

We have no rebates for any items in the eye care chapter of the formulary.

Information on rebates is published on the ICB website as per link below:

<https://staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk/your-nhs-integrated-care-board/our-publications/medicines-optimisation-1/medicine-optimisation-icb-prescribing-rebates-schemes-v5/?layout=default>

**7. Does the ICS have a deficit forecast for 2023/2024 financial year? If so, how much is this deficit? And How much is the forecast deficit for 2024/2025 financial year?**

The information provided relates to NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB Only. You will need to approach the relevant other NHS organisations directly to ascertain their forecast financial position.

2023/2024: Forecast deficit - £91.4 million.

2024/2025: The Financial Plan has not yet been agreed and so the ICB is unable to provide a response at this time.

**8. What is the value of your ICS's planned savings from the Medicines management drug prescribing budget in the financial year: 2023-2024? And 2024 – 2025?**

The information provided relates to NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB Only. You will need to approach the relevant other NHS organisations directly to ascertain their forecast financial position.

2023/2024: Planned Savings - £14 million.

2024/2025: The Financial Plan including departmental savings targets has not yet been agreed and so the ICB is unable to provide a response at this time.

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](mailto: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:

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Water Lane  
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[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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