



Staffordshire and  
Stoke-on-Trent  
Integrated Care Board

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Dear

**FOI/0126/1589**

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

Further to your email dated Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We can now confirm that 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. The ICBs response is provided below in [blue](#) text.

*You have requested:*

***Please can you provide the information below under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.***

***If exact data are not held, please provide the nearest available figures or best available estimates and specify whether they are estimates.***

***Where figures are not held in the requested format, please provide them in the closest format available.***

***Definitions (to support consistent reporting):***

- ***“Adult” means patients aged 18 years or over.***
- ***“Right to Choose (RTC)” refers to NHS patient choice arrangements under the NHS Constitution where an eligible patient is referred for an NHS-funded assessment with an alternative provider.***
- ***“ADHD diagnostic assessments via RTC” refers to NHS-funded ADHD diagnostic assessments commissioned by your ICB and delivered by external providers under RTC arrangements.***

***1) Commissioned activity volumes***

***1. For adults requiring an ADHD diagnostic assessment, how many assessments are currently commissioned by your ICB to be delivered via Right to Choose:***

***a) On an ongoing basis (e.g. a contracted number per month and/or per financial year)?***

[Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not directly commission any right to choose providers currently.](#)

**b) As part of any time-limited plan (e.g. an agreed number to be completed by a specified date)?**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not directly commission any right to choose providers currently.

**2) Actual activity delivered**

**1. How many adult ADHD diagnostic assessments via RTC were actually completed for your ICB population in:**

**a) Financial year 2024/25 (or the most recent completed financial year available)**

Due to the differences in how the number of RTC providers in this area invoice for their activity, the ICB is unable to provide this level of detail

**b) Calendar year 2025 (if held)**

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**3) Annual spend**

**1. What was the total spend by your ICB on adult ADHD diagnostic assessments delivered via RTC in:**

**a) Financial year 2024/25 (or the most recent completed financial year available)**

**Please state whether this includes assessment-only, follow-up appointments, and/or any additional costs (e.g. admin fees).**

The total spend for neurodivergent assessments (including ADHD and ASD) for 2024/25 - £2,277,483, this includes assessments, follow ups, titration, review and medication.

**4) RTC provider landscape**

**1. How many external providers (organisations/companies) delivered NHS-funded adult ADHD diagnostic assessments via RTC for your ICB in the most recent completed financial year?**

18 different providers in 2024/25

**2. Please provide the name of each provider (if held).**

24/25
ADHD 360
Axia
Centre for ADHD Research & Excellenc
Clinical Partners
Dr J
Evolve
Harrow Health
Latahzan Centre
Mantle Psychology
Mind
Oxford ADHD & Autism
Provide Wellbeing
Psicon
Psych UK
RTN Medical
Skylight Psychiatry
Solutions4Health
Teledoctor

**5) Regulation / CQC registration**

**1. For each provider delivering adult ADHD diagnostic assessments via RTC, please confirm whether they are CQC registered for the regulated activity(ies) relevant to the service they deliver (or confirm how many are CQC registered if provider-level details cannot be disclosed).**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not directly commission any right to choose providers currently; it is the responsibility of the ICB commissioning the provider to check CQC registration.

**6) Assessor competence / quality assurance information requested by the ICB**

**1. What information does your ICB require or receive from RTC providers regarding assessor competence, including (where available):**

- a) Professional qualifications / registration status of assessors**
- b) ADHD-specific diagnostic training (e.g. UKAAN or equivalent)**
- c) Relevant experience in ADHD diagnostic assessments (e.g. years or volume of assessments)**
- d) Clinical supervision arrangements**
- e) Governance / quality assurance processes (e.g. audit, clinical oversight, peer review)**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not directly commission any right to choose providers currently, it is the responsibility of the ICB commissioning the provider to collect quality assurance information, there is an expectation that any quality concerns will be raised with each ICB in England.

**A brief description of what is required/received is sufficient.**

**7) Outcome and reporting expectations (if held)**

**1. Do RTC providers report any of the following to your ICB? If yes, please state which metrics are collected:**

- a) Diagnostic outcome rates (ADHD diagnosed vs not diagnosed)**
- b) Waiting times (referral to assessment, assessment to outcome)**
- c) DNA/cancellation rates**
- d) Patient experience measures**

Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB do not directly commission any right to choose providers currently, it is the responsibility of the ICB commissioning the provider to collect outcome and reporting information, there is an expectation that any outcome or reporting concerns will be raised with each ICB in England.

We request some information from the RTC providers on a non-contractual basis around diagnosis rates.

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 ICB FOI team by emailing; [staffsstokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk](mailto:staffsstokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk) or by post to the address at the top of this letter within 40 working days of the initial response.

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

Yours sincerely

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