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Dear

FOI-0624-897

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 28th 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:

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to positive behaviour support services for children and young people (CYP) with learning disabilities and autism within your ICB.

Positive behaviour support or behaviourally intensive community services can support CYP with high acuity needs presenting the most challenging behaviours to avoid hospitalisation, provide support to their families/carers and provide the individual with greater quality of life.

The details we require are:

- 1. Is there a positive behaviour support or behaviourally intensive community service available within the ICB?**
- 2. If so:**
 - a) Who delivers this service? (in-house teams, not-for-profit provider, independent / private provider)**
 - b) Is this service stand-alone or is it part of / a sub-team of another service?**
 - (If so, what other services are included?)**
 - c) How long has this service been in place?**
- 3. Is the service a temporary or short-term service/project with a fixed end date?**

4. How is the service funded and from which budgets? (if funded by the ICB – then what is the relevant ICB budget category that funds this service?)
 - a) Is this expected to change in future?
5. What has been the annual spend on the service year-on-year (for as many years as available)?
6. Under this contract, how many children and young people are currently receiving these services?
7. What are the referral criteria for individuals to access this service?
8. If the service is being delivered by an external provider
 - a) How was the contract commissioned? Please confirm if it was direct award or via a formal procurement process?
 - b) The supplier of the current service and any unsuccessful suppliers
 - c) Who are the key stakeholders within the ICB responsible for commissioning?
 - d) What are the contractual performance KPIs for this service? Have they been achieved?
 - e) Does the ICB treat any cases with PBS services outside of this contract? If so, what has been the annual spend on these cases?
9. If done via in-house teams: do any of the staff in the service have any specialist training and qualifications (e.g. certifications such as University or other training provider awards/credits) in challenging behaviours beyond their professional training?
 - a) What is the size of this in-house team?
10. Do you intend to commission a behaviourally intensive community services in the next 12-24 months? If so, when will this be procured?

Please be advised that the ICB does not hold this information. Your request should be sent to the following Providers:

[North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare NHS Trust](https://www.combined.nhs.uk/get-in-touch/freedom-of-information/)

<https://www.combined.nhs.uk/get-in-touch/freedom-of-information/>

[Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust](https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-information)

<https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-information>

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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