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Dear

FOI-11-168

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request dated the 14th November 2022. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below

I am currently researching Mental Health Services as they pertain to diagnostic and treatment services of Autism, ADHD, and other neurodevelopmental conditions. I would be grateful if you could provide the information requested below (as per the Freedom of Information Act) as it relates to your Integrated Care Board.

Questions:

- 1. Does Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB and its local authorities that are part of Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS have an agreed Learning Disability and Autism Strategy (3-5 year) for its Mental Health commissioning priorities?**

Staffordshire – All Age Autism Implementation Plan; there is a draft Whole Life Disability Strategy that includes Learning Disability and Autism.

Stoke-on-Trent – All Age Learning Disability Strategy; there is a draft All Age Autism Strategy.

- 2. If yes or partial in Q1, does this strategy include the commissioning of diagnostic pathways for other neurodevelopmental conditions such as Autism and/or ADHD?**

It does include commissioning of Autism Diagnostic pathway.

- 3. If yes or partial in Q1, does the strategy pertain to adults (18+) only, or children only, or is the strategy all-age?**

See Question One.

4. Does Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB have or intend to operate with a Lead Provider Model for the commissioning of its services (including diagnostic pathways) for Autism, ADHD and other neurodevelopmental conditions?

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB has not made a decision.

5. If yes to Q4, what is the timeline for the implementation of a Lead Provider Model if it is not already in place?

Not Applicable.

6. Does Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB and Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS have a Learning Disabilities and Autism Mental Health Provider Collaborative that oversees and/or advises on the clinical quality of the diagnosis of Autism, ADHD and/or other neurodevelopmental conditions?

No.

7. If yes to Q6, does this provider collaborative address outpatient community services?

Not Applicable.

8. If yes to Q6, which organisations are involved?

Not Applicable.

9. Within Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB, or Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS, or the Lead Provider of LDA diagnostic services (if applicable), is there an LDA Programme (system) Lead and/or Clinical Lead for Autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental conditions? What is their title?

Yes, ICB MHLDA Clinical Lead; ICB MHLDA Portfolio Lead; ICS MHLDA SRO.

10. Does Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB and its local authorities that are part of Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICS pool or align finances for the commissioning of its Autism or other neurodevelopmental services (for example under Section 75)?

No.

11. If no to Q10, do they intend to do so in the future?

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB has not made a decision.

12. If yes to Q10, does the scope of this pooling include diagnostic pathways?

Not Applicable.

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:

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Yours sincerely

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