

Our Ref: PW/KJJ/FOI/1224/1111

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Sent by email

Telephone: 0300 123 1461

Dear

**FOI-1224-1111**

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

Thank you for your request for information received on 11<sup>th</sup> December 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:

- 1. Please could you give a percentage breakdown of the population of your ICS by ethnicity?**

On the presumption that this is referring to the overall population within the ICS, then the ICB does not hold full population-wide information, nor does it have direct access to full GP-registered population datasets.

The ethnicity of the resident population in England and Wales, including the footprint area covered by the ICB, is published by the Office for National Statistics based on Census 2021 data which can be queried at:

[https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/sources/census\\_2021](https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/sources/census_2021)

Census 2021 data for additional geographies including Integrated Care Boards is available at: <https://www.ons.gov.uk/filters/52e4cdb6-0fb5-417d-80f9-8e635243f503/dimensions>

A direct link to the ethnicity data specifically for Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB is also provided below:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/datasets/create/filter-outputs/7887c8b6-c225-47bf-8956-12c58207916b#get-data>

- 2. How many onward referrals did you make/your CHC panel approve for inpatient/residential brain injury rehabilitation for persons with an acquired brain injury such as Stroke, Traumatic Brain Injury, or Brain Infections in 2023/24?**

See below response.

- 3. Please could you provide a breakdown of which providers these referrals were sent to, and whether that provided was in or out of your ICB area?**

See below response.

4. Of the referrals for brain injury in 23/24, please could you provide a percentage breakdown by ethnicity?

See response below.

5. Do you routinely monitor the ethnicity of referrals for brain injury to see whether they are in line with expected prevalence? If so, please provide any monitoring data on this where available?

See response below.

We do not hold data for patients by ethnicity consistently enough for reliable reporting to be provided as it was not always a mandatory field so many of our patients don't have this populated.

We also do not hold specific diagnosis data so would be unable to provide information on Stroke, Traumatic Brain Injury, or Brain Infections.

Due to this we would be unable to fulfil this FOI as we either do not hold the information or do not hold enough of it consistently to provide an accurate response.

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:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

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

Yours sincerely

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