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Sent by email

Dear

FOI-0924-1006

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 24th September 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. Total Spend and Volumes:** The total spend (in £) and volume (number of procedures) for both in-house and outsourced provisions for each of the following ophthalmology procedure groups:
- Cataract surgeries
 - AMD – eye injections
 - AMD - photodynamic therapy
 - LASIK
 - SMILE
 - Corrective laser eye surgeries (e.g. PRK, LASEK, TransPRK)

If your records use different categorisations or sub-categories within these procedure groups, please provide the total spend and volumes for those as well.

[Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent \(SSOT\) ICB is not a provider of services and therefore does not insource clinical service provision.](#)

- 2. Outsourcing Spend and Volumes by provider:** The volume and spend for each ophthalmology procedure group outsourced, broken down by specific private providers. Please specify the volume and spend for each of the following procedure groups for each provider:
- Cataract surgeries
 - AMD – eye injections
 - AMD - photodynamic therapy
 - LASIK
 - SMILE
 - Corrective laser eye surgeries (e.g. PRK, LASEK, TransPRK)

[Under the National Choice Agenda SSOT Patients choose where they wish to be referred to. Of the information that has been requested the ICB holds information in relation to total spend for cataracts, this has been provided in the spreadsheet attached.](#)

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
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Yours sincerely

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