

Our Ref: PW/TLR/FOI/10/583

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Sent by email

Dear

FOI/10/583

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request dated the 31st October 2023. Please see our response to your request below.

You have requested information on:

Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to make a formal request for the following information:

1. **How many applications for support under the HTCS were made to your ICB (or predecessor collective CCGs) for each of the following financial years:**
 - 2019/20 - 225
 - 2020/21 - 142
 - 2021/22 - 33
 - 2022/23 - 55
 - 2022/24 (to the end of October) - 37
2. **How many HTCS support requests were approved by your ICB (or predecessor collective CCGs) for each of the following financial years:**
 - 2019/20 - 225
 - 2020/21 - 142
 - 2021/22 - 33
 - 2022/23 - 54
 - 2022/24 (to the end of October) - 36
3. **How much did your ICB (or predecessor collective CCGs) collective spend to support HTCS requests for each of the following financial years:**
 - 2019/20 - £10641.61
 - 2020/21 - £1906.31
 - 2021/22 - £1194.47
 - 2022/23 - £1936.06
 - 2022/24 (to the end of October) - £2330.24
4. **If it does not exceed the time limits for compiling the response, and the information is available, please can you confirm how many of the above requests for support under the HTCS were for travel to receive treatment at NHS services**

outside of your ICB area. Please break this response down by each of the following financial years.

- 2019/20
- 2020/21
- 2021/22
- 2022/23
- 2022/24 (to the end of October)

Information for the above periods is unavailable.

Please note that the information provided is based on currently available data.

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 setting out your reasons for a review, 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
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www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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