

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-05-378

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Dear

FOI-05-378

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 15th May 2023. 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:

Please find a Freedom of Information request below. We are seeking the below data via FOI to help us better understand and support the commissioning pressure on ICSs in relation to spirometry tests.

- 1. How many spirometry tests for diagnosis of breathlessness symptoms were performed in your ICS from 1 April 2022 to 31st March 2023? Please break this down via: General practice; community diagnostic centre; acute trusts, other (please specify any other settings).**

No data available.

- 2. How many spirometry tests for diagnosis of breathlessness symptoms were performed in your ICS from 1 April 2019 to 31st March 2020? Please break this down via: General practice; community diagnostic centre; acute trusts, other (please specify any other settings).**

No data available.

- 3. What percentage of general practices within your ICS offer spirometry tests for diagnosis as of the 1st March 2023?**

Not known. Some accredited practices are known to be providing a spirometry service but this currently is not commissioned by the ICB.

- 4. What percentage of community diagnostic centres within your ICS offer spirometry tests for diagnosis as of the 1st March 2023?**

There are currently no community diagnostic centres operational within the ICS.

5. What was the number of people with breathlessness symptoms waiting for a spirometry test for diagnosis as of 1st March 2023?

The ICB does not hold this information.

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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