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Sent by email

Dear

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Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 17th 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 note responses are provided in blue text.

- 1. How are Spirometry services delivered within your region (tick all that apply):**
Across Staffordshire & Stoke on Trent ICB there is a mixed model of In-House delivery, PCN delivery & Federation delivery – the ICB has 100% population cover across these providers.
 - Commissioned primary care service (e.g. practice or PCN delivery through a commissioned or LES provision)
 - via CDC (Community Diagnostic Centre),
 - outsourced to a non-GP independent provider,
 - within secondary care,
 - as part of TLHC (Targeted Lung Health Check)
- 2. How many new COPD diagnoses (positive, any GOLD classification) were made in your region in the year 2024?**
Not held by ICB – The Spirometry service specification states the Provider shall electronically forward all test results and interpretation back to the referring GP to enable follow up and ongoing management within two working days.
- 3. How many patients in total registered with GPs in your area who have COPD?**
Number of people on NHSE Quality Outcome Framework (QOF) Register as at end of March 2024 for Staffs and Stoke on Trent ICB was 27,019.
- 4. What is the average waiting time for spirometry appointments in your region?**
The ICB does not hold average waiting times.
The service specification states: The provider shall:
 - Contact patients to arrange appointments for their test within five working days of receipt of referral.
 - Provide the patient who are eligible, with confirmation of their appointment and for their appointment to take place within three weeks of making initial contact with the patient.
- 5. How many ARTP (Association of Respiratory Technology and Physiology) accredited healthcare professionals are in your region?**

Not held by ICB. The service specification states that the Provider shall ensure that all staff either performing and/or interpreting spirometry tests are competent and hold a certificate with the Association for Respiratory Technology and Physiology (ARTP).

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 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
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Yours sincerely

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