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Sent by email

Dear

FOI-0624-877

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 12th June 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:

Please can we request the following information in line with FOI requirements.

1. Please would you share with us your current medicines optimisation (or equivalent) team structure?

Please be advised that Exemption 40.1 of the Freedom of Information Act has been applied to this request as the information is deemed personal information.

Accordingly, please find enclosed the structure of the Medicines Optimisation team which has been redacted as appropriate.

2. Please would you share with us your current medicines optimisation (or equivalent) team roles and functions?

Team Roles as of 17th June 2024:

- Associate Director of Medicines Optimisation
- Head of Medicines Optimisation
- Community Pharmacy Clinical Lead
- Medicines Optimisation Lead Pharmacist (covers the term Senior Medicines Optimisation Pharmacist)
- Medicines Optimisation Pharmacist
- Care Homes Pharmacist

- Governance and Service Improvement Lead
- Senior High Cost Drugs Technician

- Pharmacy Technician Project Manager (covers the terms Senior Pharmacy Technician, high cost drugs support technician and formulary technician)
- Pharmacy Technician Project Support Manager (covers the term Pharmacy Technician)

Functions fall within the following broad areas:

- Medicines Governance
- Medicines Quality and Safety
- Medicines Finance
- Medicines Commissioning
- General Prescribing Support

3. Is there any further staff reorganisation planned in the financial year 2024/25 that may change your current medicines optimisation (or equivalent) team structure?

Please be advised that there may be some re-organisation of the Medicines Optimisation Team after September 2024 as we have just completed recruiting to the majority of vacant posts.

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
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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