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Sent by email

Dear

FOI-0724-914

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 11th July 2024 and your clarification to our query of the 3rd May 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:

I am writing to you with a Freedom of Information request regarding the provision of virtual ward care within your ICB. We would like to get the following data relating to virtual wards providers within your ICB (please see the Excel template attached):

- 1. Do you use virtual wards within your ICB? (Y/N)**
 - a. If not, are you planning on using them in the future?**
- 2. Please provide the total number of virtual ward bed capacity?**
- 3. Please provide a list of virtual ward providers used within your ICB, as well as the following for each provider:**
 - a. Total contract value, split by the following:**
 - i. Technology component**
 - ii. Staffing component**
 - iii. Others – please specify**
 - b. Start and end date**
 - c. For 2024, the number of virtual ward bed capacity provided**

Please make use of the Excel template we have attached for you to simplify the fill in process and standardise the information.

Please be advised that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB does not itself provide Virtual Wards. They are provided via a provider collaborative between the following Trusts. Your request should be sent to them directly:

Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust
<https://www.mpft.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-information>

University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust
<https://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/contact-us/>

University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Trust
<https://www.uhdb.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information-foi/>

Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust
<https://www.royalwolverhampton.nhs.uk/about-us/freedom-of-information/>

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

www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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