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Dear

**FOI-0524-849**

**Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information received on the 22<sup>nd</sup> 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:

For your ICB, please can you provide details of the following:

- 1. The number of people living with a recorded diagnosis of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) on the 01/01/2022, the number of living with a diagnosis of COPD on the 01/01/2023. Please confirm how a COPD diagnosis has been defined?**

The information that you are requesting is available in the public domain via QOF reporting, NHS Digital- [QOF 2022-23 | NHS Digital](#). The ICB only has access to the same information. Unfortunately, QOF data is only available in financial years.

	Number of Patients on the COPD Register
31/03/2022 (2021/22)	26,381
31/03/2023 (2022/23)	26,564

- 2. For the population living with a recorded diagnosis of COPD on the 01/01/2022 please can you provide the following metrics for the calendar year 2022. These metrics are:**

- a) The number of respiratory related hospital admissions in that calendar year, along with details of how a respiratory related admission has been defined?
- b) The number of COPD related hospital admissions in that calendar year, along with details of how a COPD related admission has been defined?
- c) The number of all cause hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- d) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 respiratory related hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- e) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 COPD related hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- f) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 all cause hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- g) The average number of respiratory related admissions and occupied bed days for each individual in the diagnosed COPD population in that calendar year
- h) The average number of all cause admissions and occupied bed days for each individual in the diagnosed COPD population in that calendar year?
- i) How many deaths occurred in that calendar year within the diagnosed COPD population?
- j) Total number of GP appointments in that calendar year for patients with a COPD diagnosis?
- k) The number of individuals in the population that received a COPD review in primary care in that calendar year?
- l) The number of all cause and respiratory related admissions had by individuals who did not have a primary care review in that calendar year?
- m) The number of people in the COPD population who had a heart failure diagnosis at the beginning of the calendar year?

The ICB does not hold the information requested in questions 2, 3 and 4. Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent patients mainly attend 3 Acute Hospitals, listed below, and the information will need to be requested from them.

**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/>

3. For the population living with a recorded diagnosis of COPD on the 01/01/2023 please can you provide the following metrics for the calendar year 2023. These metrics are:
  - a) The number of respiratory related hospital admissions in that calendar year, along with details of how a respiratory related admission has been defined?

- b) The number of COPD related hospital admissions in that calendar year, along with details of how a COPD related admission has been defined?
- c) The number of all cause hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- d) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 respiratory related hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- e) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 COPD related hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- f) The number of individuals in the population with at least 1, at least 3, and at least 5 all cause hospital admissions in that calendar year?
- g) The average number of respiratory related admissions and occupied bed days for each individual in the diagnosed COPD population in that calendar year?
- h) The average number of all cause admissions and occupied bed days for each individual in the diagnosed COPD population in that calendar year?
- i) How many deaths occurred in that calendar year within the diagnosed COPD population?
- j) Total number of GP appointments in that calendar year for patients with a COPD diagnosis?
- k) The number of individuals in the population that received a COPD review in primary care in that calendar year?
- l) The number of all cause and respiratory related admissions had by individuals who did not have a primary care review in that calendar year?
- m) The number of people in the COPD population who had a heart failure diagnosis at the beginning of the calendar year?

[See response to question 2 above.](#)

4. As well presenting totals could the numbers for metrics 1, 2, and 3 be stratified by:
- a) SIMD for the individuals having the admissions?
  - b) Calendar month of admission date?
  - c) Whether or not the admission was a 90-day readmission (whether the admission date occurred within 90 days of the discharge date of a preceding admission of the same type\* for that?
  - d) individual) + calendar month of admission date?
  - e) Whether or not the admission was a 30-day readmission (whether the admission date occurred within 30 days of the discharge date of a preceding admission of the same type\* for that individual) + calendar month of admission date. same type= respiratory related (1), COPD-related (2), or all-cause (3)?

[See response to question 2 above.](#)

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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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