



**Staffordshire and  
Stoke-on-Trent**  
Integrated Care Board

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Dear

**FOI-0624-888**

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

Thank you for your request for information received on the 25<sup>th</sup> 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:

**I would like to request a copy of “ICB guidelines on off label prescribing”.**

Please find below the links to the information requested:

**South Staffordshire formulary website**

<https://www.southstaffordshirejointformulary.nhs.uk/about.asp>

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<https://www.northstaffordshirejointformulary.nhs.uk/about.asp>

Unlicensed Medicines

Unlicensed medicines and licensed medicines for unlicensed indications (off-label medicines), are not routinely included in the formulary. However, there are a small number of exceptions where it has been agreed via the clinical governance process with approval and ratification (there is no licensed medicine available to meet a particular clinical need). If a medicine is unlicensed or being recommended off-label this is indicated in the formulary. Prescribers of unlicensed and off-label medicines carry full liability for any adverse outcomes which may result from such prescribing.

**Chair:** David Pearson MBE

**Chief Executive Officer:** Peter Axon

Please note other than the information provided we do not have any ICB guidelines on off-label prescribing.

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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