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Dear

### **Freedom of Information Act Request**

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

### ***Requested information:***

We would very much appreciate your help with our national survey of Take-home Naloxone policy by answering these two questions.

1. Does your organisation provide substance misuse services? **Currently NSCHT provide substance misuse service in both inpatient and community. However, from 31/03/24 the Trust will be exiting the contract for community substance misuse service as Stoke Community Drug and Alcohol Service**
2. Does your organisation have a policy on prescribing Take-home Naloxone for patients prescribed or taking opiates or opiate substitutes? **Stoke Community Drug and Alcohol Service have a SOP for Naloxone however this has not been reviewed as we are exiting the current contract with local authority.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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