

Reference: FOI.ICB-2324/070

Subject: Spirometry Tests

I can confirm that the ICB does hold some of the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
1. How many spirometry tests for diagnosis of breathlessness symptoms were performed in your ICS from 1 April 2022 to 31 st March 2023? Please break this down via: General practice; community diagnostic centre; acute trusts, other (please specify any other settings)	The ICB does not hold this information. For the acute trusts we advise you to contact them directly: North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT) – https://www.nbt.nhs.uk/about-us/information-governance/freedom-information/request-information University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust (UHBW) – https://www.uhbw.nhs.uk/p/how-we-use-your-data/freedom-of-information-foi-requests
2. How many spirometry tests for diagnosis of breathlessness symptoms were performed in your ICS from 1 April 2019 to 31 st March 2020? Please break this down via: General practice; community diagnostic centre; acute trusts, other (please specify any other settings)	See question 1.
3. What percentage of general practices within your ICS offer spirometry tests for diagnosis as of the 1 st March 2023?	During the last financial year 92% of our practices offered spirometry tests. We do not split out reasons for spirometry and our assumption is these are for diagnosis.

4. What percentage of community diagnostic centres within your ICS offer spirometry tests for diagnosis as of the 1 st March 2023?	BNSSG ICS does not currently have a community diagnostic centre.
5. What was the number of people with breathlessness symptoms waiting for a spirometry test for diagnosis as of 1 st March 2023?	See question 1.

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 12 June 2023 and has been approved for release by Lisa Manson, Director of Performance and Delivery for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.