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Dear Applicant

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information – NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB)

Thank you for your request received on 23 March 2026 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (the ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The ICB covers the areas of County Durham, Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland, and Tees Valley.

Please find the information you requested on behalf of the ICB as follows.

Your Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I am requesting information regarding supported living and residential care services for adults with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD).

Long term care is provided to clients on an ongoing basis and has been allocated on the basis of eligibility criteria / policies (i.e. an assessment of need has taken place) and are subject to regular review. Please refer to the following link for further clarification, if needed (<https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/social-care-collection-materials-2024/salt-data-return-2023-2024-guidance/lts001a>).

Supported living may also be called Supported accommodation or Supported housing and is a housing scheme where housing, support and care services are provided to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible in the community.

Total placements are the total number of active funded placements in that period, included those carried over from previous years.

New placements are those newly commissioned in that period only, i.e. not carried over from a previous year.

For financial year FY26, please provide the full year figure as at the date of your response. For financial year FY27, please provide a forecast or budgeted number of placements if available.

1. *Residential Care*: Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD in long-term residential care funded by the ICB, in the following periods, broken down by the following weekly fee bands: £3,000 to £4,999 per week; £5,000 to £6,999 per week; £7,000 or more per week
 - Financial year 2021/22 (FY22)
 - Financial year 2022/23 (FY23)
 - Financial year 2023/24 (FY24)
 - Financial year 2024/25 (FY25)
 - Financial year 2025/26 (FY26) – year to date
 - Financial year 2026/27 (FY27) – budgeted / forecast

2. *Residential Care*: Please provide the number of new placements made for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD in long-term residential care funded by the ICB in the following periods, broken down by the same weekly fee bands: £3,000 to £4,999 per week; £5,000 to £6,999 per week; £7,000 or more per week
 - Financial year 2021/22 (FY22)
 - Financial year 2022/23 (FY23)
 - Financial year 2023/24 (FY24)
 - Financial year 2024/25 (FY25)
 - Financial year 2025/26 (FY26) – year to date
 - Financial year 2026/27 (FY27) – budgeted / forecast

3. *Supported Living*: Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD in long-term supported living funded by the ICB, in the following periods, broken down by the following weekly fee bands: £3,000 to £4,999 per week; £5,000 to £6,999 per week; £7,000 or more per week
 - Financial year 2021/22 (FY22)
 - Financial year 2022/23 (FY23)
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 - Financial year 2024/25 (FY25)
 - Financial year 2025/26 (FY26) – year to date
 - Financial year 2026/27 (FY27) – budgeted / forecast

4. *Supported Living*: Please provide the number of new placements made for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD in long-term supported living funded by the ICB in the following periods, broken down by the same weekly fee bands: £3,000 to £4,999 per week; £5,000 to £6,999 per week; £7,000 or more per week
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Our Response

1. We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB holds some of the information you have requested. This is detailed in the attached spreadsheet. Please note the following:

- The ICB did not come into being until July 2022; the ICB does not hold data for financial year 2021/22.
- Information provided covers financial years 2022/2023, 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/2026.
- The client numbers provided show a snapshot of active clients on 31 March.
- NENC ICB holds information for ICB places County Durham, Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria and Tees Valley only.

In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested for North Tyneside and Northumberland and South Tyneside and Sunderland. However, we have determined that the information is held by the local authorities within these ICB places.

In accordance with our duty under s.16 of the FOIA to provide reasonable advice and assistance to an individual requesting information, we have provided the FOI contacts for those local authorities.

NENC Local Authorities	Email/Online portal
North Tyneside Council	foiofficer@northtyneside.gov.uk
Northumberland County Council	Information Governance – Northumberland CC
South Tyneside Council	foi@southtyneside.gov.uk
Sunderland City Council	freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk

2. We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB holds some of the information you have requested. This is detailed in the attached spreadsheet. Please note the following:

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- Information provided covers financial years 2022/2023, 2023/2024, 2024/2025 and 2025/2026.
- The client numbers are inclusive of new and existing clients who had a newly commissioned care package within the requested weekly rate categories.
- NENC ICB holds information for ICB places County Durham, Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria and Tees Valley only.

In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested for North Tyneside and Northumberland and South Tyneside and Sunderland.

Please redirect your questions to these local authorities using the contact details provided in response to question 1.

3. Please refer to the response to question 1.

4. Please refer to the response to question 2.

In accordance with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the NHS ICB website <https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/>.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, you should write to the Information Governance Manager using the contact details at the top of this letter quoting the appropriate reference number.

If you are not content with the outcome your review, you do have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the ICB's complaints procedure.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or www.ico.org.uk.

Any information we provide following your request under the Freedom of Information Act will not confer an automatic right for you to re-use that information, for example to publish it. If you wish to re-use the information that we provide and you do not specify this in your initial application for information then you must make a further request for its re-use as per the Re-Use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015 www.legislation.gov.uk. This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours faithfully

Information Governance Support Officer

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