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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 by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 21 March 2024 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

NENC ICB covers the areas of County Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland, and Tees Valley (which covers the 5 councils that make it up – Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees).

Your Request and our Response

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.

I would like to ask for some information via a FOI on Personal Health Budgets data published in Q3 via [Personal Health Budget \(PHB\) - NHS England Digital](#) website.

The figures for your ICB (NHS NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA INTEGRATED CARE BOARD) published show that you have **155 Childrens Continuing Care (CCC) Direct Payment PHBs**.

Could you help me understand the following information for these 155 Childrens Continuing Care (CCC) Direct Payment PHBs.

1. ***What percentage (%) does NHS NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA INTEGRATED CARE BOARD use the following methods to promote / support these 155 CCC Direct Payment PHBs?***
 - a. 3rd Party support companies (e.g. Enham Trust, Penderels, Solo Support, etc).
 - b. ICB direct engagement/communication **100% of ccc phb's have direct contact with the CCC service**
 - c. No support in place
 - d. Do not hold this information.

2. **How often are Direct Payments PHB options promoted / advertised to the PHB community within your ICB?**
 - a. On initial PHB discussion at beginning of PHB journey
 - b. Continuously / regularly through PHB lifespan
 - c. On request
 - d. Never
 - e. Do not hold this information.
3. **Of these 155 CCC Direct Payment PHBs, what percentage (%) have employers / carers insurance?**
 - a. 75-100%
 - b. 50-75%
 - c. 25-50%
 - d. 0-25%
 - e. Do not hold this information.
4. **Of these 155 CCC Direct Payment PHBs, what percentage (%) have contracts of employment for their employed carers?**
 - a. 75-100%
 - b. 50-75%
 - c. 25-50%
 - d. 0-25%
 - e. Do not hold this information.
5. **Of these 155 CCC Direct Payment PHBs, what percentage (%) require regular medical training for their employed carers?**
 - f. 75-100%
 - g. 50-75%
 - h. 25-50%
 - i. 0-25%
 - j. Do not hold this information.
6. **Of these 155 CCC Direct Payment PHBs, what is the percentage split (%) of clinical oversight (main lead) for the PHB?**
 - k. Childrens Community Nurse (CCN)
 - l. Registered Nurse (funded by the PHB package)
 - m. Registered Nurse (not funded by the PHB package)
 - n. ICB Clinical Lead 100%
 - o. Do not hold this information.

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 Senior 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 complaints procedure provided by the North of England Commissioning Support Unit.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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 sincerely

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