



North East and North Cumbria

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By Email

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 17 October 2023 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).

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

Your Request and Our Response

Please provide me with information on NHS North East and North Cumbria ICS's contracts with private hospitals to provide surgeries and tests to NHS patients, whether as part of the Elective Recovery Plan or in the ordinary course of providing surgeries and tests to NHS patients.

This information should include:

1. Which private hospitals you have contracts with,

Optegra UK Ltd

SpaMedica

Community Health and Eyecare Ltd

Newmedical Systems Limited (T/A, Newmedica)

Tyneside Surgical Services

Ramsay Health Care UK

Spire Healthcare Limited

Circle Health Group

Nuffield Health Limited

2. What the monetary value of each contract is,

Optegra UK Ltd

Zero based contract

SpaMedica

North East & North Cumbria ICB (Tees Valley Site) £3,944,572 per annum

North East & North Cumbria ICB (Gateshead Site) £6,646,359 per annum

Total £ 10,590,931 per annum

Community Health and Eyecare Ltd

£1,680,225 per annum

Newmedical Systems Limited (T/A, Newmedica)

Tees Zero Based Contract

Newcastle Zero Based Contract

Tyneside Surgical Services

£4.3million per annum

Ramsay Health Care UK

Dental Service

£1,399,201 per annum

Tees Valley

Specialty Description	Sum of Price Plan
General Surgery	1,723,485
Urology	797,953

Colorectal Surgery	1,253
Trauma & Orthopaedics	8,339,078
Plastic Surgery	1,020,488
Gastroenterology	1,714,562
Dermatology	301,159
Gynaecology	896,706
Podiatry	1,235
Diagnostic Imaging	174,047
Grand Total	14,969,966

Cobalt

Specialty Description	Sum of Price Plan
General Surgery	369,207
Urology	21,399
Vascular Surgery	64,475
Trauma & Orthopaedics	492,062
Plastic Surgery	756,616
Gastroenterology	1,511,287
Physiotherapy	0
Podiatry	20,088
Diagnostic Imaging	7,448
Grand Total	3,242,582

Spire Healthcare Limited

£13,170,903 per annum

Circle Health Group

£11,463,793 per annum

Nuffield Health Limited

Nuffield Tees - £11,395,884 per annum

Nuffield Newcastle - £1,439,152 per annum

3. And, what surgeries and tests the private hospitals are contracted to provide under each contract.

Optegra UK Ltd

- Cataract Assessment
- Cataract Surgery
- YAG Laser (Posterior Capsule Opacification (PCO), Posterior Capsule Thickening (PCT)) to be done within one appointment

SpaMedica

- Cataract Assessment
- Cataract Surgery

- YAG Laser (*Posterior Capsule Opacification (PCO), Posterior Capsule Thickening (PCT)*) to be done within one appointment
- Wet age-related macular degeneration
- Diabetic Macular Oedema (DMO)
- Retinal Vein Occlusion (RVO)
- Medical retina
- Hydroxychloroquine Monitoring (*Tees Valley only*)

Community Health and Eyecare Ltd

- Cataract Assessment
- Cataract Surgery
- YAG Laser (*Posterior Capsule Opacification (PCO), Posterior Capsule Thickening (PCT)*) to be done within one appointment.
- Endoscopy Services

Newmedical Systems Limited (T/A, Newmedica)

Tees Site

- Cataract Assessment
- Cataract Surgery
- YAG Laser (*Posterior Capsule Opacification (PCO), Posterior Capsule Thickening (ICB)*) to be done within one appointment
- Cataract post op
- Existing glaucoma
- Existing wet AMD
- Existing general

Newcastle Site

- Cataract Assessment
- Cataract Surgery

Tyneside Surgical Services

Orthopaedics

Hip

Knee

Foot

Hand

Wrist

Elbow

Shoulder

Neuro/ Spinal Surgery

Pain Management

General Surgery

Hernia

Cholecystectomy

Endoscopy

Vascular

Thyroid

Breast Surgery

Gynaecology

Urology

Plastic surgery

Ramsay Health Care UK

Dental Service

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Endoscopy

Gastroenterology

Orthopaedic Surgery

Plastic Surgery

Vascular Surgery

General Surgery

Ramsay Tees Hospital Site

MRI

Plastic Surgery

Urology

Tees Valley Hospital Site

Dermatology Services

Endoscopy

Gastroenterology

General Surgery

Gynaecology

Orthopaedic Surgery

Spire Healthcare Limited

*Adult Orthopaedics (Hip, Knee Foot, Ankle, Hand, Wrist, Elbow, Shoulder.
Neuro/Spinal Surgery, Pain, General Surgery (Hernia, Cholecystectomy, Other),
Endoscopy, Vascular, Thyroid, Breast Surgery.*

Circle Health Group

- a. *ENT*
- b. *General Surgery (Including Vascular, Breast, Thyroids, lumps and bumps, colonoscopy and endoscopy
Colorectal service)*
- c. *Gynaecology*
- d. *Orthopaedics including spinal activity*
- e. *Direct access from the ESP at Connect Physiotherapy Services*
- f. *Ophthalmology (Cataracts and Yag Laser)*
- g. *Urology including Urodynamics*
- h. *Pain Management*
- i. *Direct Access to Diagnostics (Ultrasound)*

Nuffield Health Limited

- *General Surgery*

- *Musculoskeletal / Orthopaedics (excluding Spinal Surgery for all Commissioners and excluding Foot and Ankle Surgery for all Commissioners with the exception of South Tees locality)*
- *Ophthalmology*
- *Dermatology*
- *Ear Nose and Throat*
- *Gynaecology*
- *Oral Surgery*
- *Urology*
- *Endoscopy, including Direct Access*
- *Direct Access diagnostics, including imaging, MRI, echo and ultrasound*
- *Plastic surgery*
- *Pain management*
- *Gastroenterology*
- *Upper Gastrointestinal surgery*
- *Maxillo Facial Surgery/ Oral and Maxillo Facial Surgery*
- *Surgical Dentistry*
- *Anaesthetics*

In line 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 make a complaint or 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 complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. 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
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Yours sincerely

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