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By Email

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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 9 April 2025 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**

I am looking for some information to be answered under the Freedom of Information Act relating to spending under the Additional roles reimbursement scheme (ARRS) for 2024/25 in the Primary Care Networks (PCNs) in your ICB area. My questions are as below:

1. How many PCNs are in your ICB?
2. What was the total ARRS allocation sum for the PCNs in your ICB in 2024/25?
3. How much of this funding was spent by PCNs in 2024/25?
4. How much of this funding remained unspent across the PCNs in your ICB footprint in 2024/25?  
Please provide this figure in pounds and as a percentage of the overall funding.
5. Does the ICB intend to redistribute this money to PCNs? If not, why not?
6. If the money is not redistributed, what will it be used for?

**Our Response**

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB does hold the information requested.

1. There are 67 PCNs within NENC ICB.
2. The total ARRs allocation received in NENC ICB in 2024/25 was £75,918,000.

3. Total funding reported spent by PCNs £75,918,000.
4. Please refer to the response to questions 2 and 3.
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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 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](http://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](http://www.legislation.gov.uk) . This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours faithfully

*Information Governance Support Officer*

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