

Our Reference North East and North Cumbria ICB\FOI ICB638

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Applicant By Email

Dear Applicant,

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

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 23/11/23 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**

Please could you provide me with the following information:

- 1. What was the longest A&E wait across the ICB in:
  - a. 2023.
  - b. 2022.
- 2. How many new ambulances have you bought in across 2023, (if applicable) the number of ambulances due to be bought in by the end of FY23/24.
- 3. Total ambulance fleet at 1.1.2023 and on 1.12.2023.
- 4. The number of virtual beds on 1.1.2023, 1.3.2023 and on 1.12.2023.

## Our Response

1. NENC ICB does not hold this information. It might be held by the Acute Trusts in the NENC ICB area. These can be contracted on the below addresses:

| NENC Acute Hospital FTs                  | Email                              |
|--|------------------------------------|
| County Durham & Darlington NHS FT        | cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.net           |
| Gateshead Health NHS FT                  | ghnt.foi.enquiries@nhs.net         |
| North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS FT     | foirequest@cumbria.nhs.uk          |
| North Tees & Hartlepool NHS FT           | foi@nth.nhs.uk                     |
| Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT            | foi@northumbria.nhs.uk             |
| South Tees Hospitals NHS FT              | foi@stees.nhs.uk                   |
| South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS FT     | stsft.freedomofinformation@nhs.net |
| The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS FT | nuth.freedom.information@nhs.net   |

2. NENC ICB does not hold this information. It might be held by the Ambulance Trusts in the NENC ICB area. These can be contracted on the below addresses:

| NENC Ambulance Trusts                  | Email                       |
|--|-----------------------------|
| North East Ambulance Service NHS FT    | publicrelations@neas.nhs.uk |
| North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust | foi.enquiries@nwas.nhs.uk   |
| Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust  | yas.foi@nhs.net             |

- 3. As above.
- 4. 01/01/2023 335 beds 01/03/2023 – 409 beds 01/12/23 – 500 beds

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 <a href="https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/">https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/</a>.

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 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 <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk">www.legislation.gov.uk</a>. This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

Ehren Smith

**Ehren Smith Information Governance Officer**