

Our Reference North East and North Cumbria ICB\
FOI ICB 24–387

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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 7 January 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, Gateshead, Newcastle, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland, and Tees Valley (which covers the five local authorities of Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees).

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

Your Request

This FOI request is linked to FOI ICB 24-283. Just to ensure my understanding is correct, could you please clarify the below keeping the same numbering?

1. In the original response, it is noted that “children are included in the specification from Eden Valley Hospice that also includes adults”. Currently, only the NHSE children and young people service specification has been provided. Could you please provide a copy of the service specification specific to Eden Valley Hospice?
2. Is it correct to say that work is currently underway in the ICB to update the existing EVH service specification to reflect the NHSE service specification mentioned above and provided in the original response?

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. Please find attached the latest specification for the grant agreement with Eden Valley Hospice.

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2. Work is currently underway to add the relevant information to the mentioned NHSE specification. The Eden Valley Hospice grant agreement will be re-issued to include it.

Please note, in addition that Butterwick and Zoe's Place in the North East have the NHS service specification as they get grant funding from NHSE to deliver CYP palliative care.

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
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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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