



# North East and North Cumbria

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Dear

## **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 6 September 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**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

- Whether NHS North East and North Cumbria ICB has weight management service contracts with Slimming World/Miles Bramwell or WW/Weight Watchers, either directly or through a third party organisation?
  - Which other weight management services does the board have contracts with?
- The total amount paid over the course of any current contracts with Slimming World – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available.
  - The total amount paid over the course of contracts with Slimming World – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available – for the following financial years: 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022; 2022-2023; 2023-present.
- The total amount paid over the course of any current contracts with Weight Watchers/WW – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available.
  - The total amount paid over the course of contracts with Weight Watchers/WW – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available – for the following financial years: 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022; 2022-2023; 2023-present.

- The start and end dates of active contracts with Slimming World.
- The start and end dates of active contracts with Weight Watchers.
- How many patients have accessed Slimming World through the board's partnership over the last five years, broken down by year?
- How many patients have accessed Weight Watchers through the board's partnership over the last five years, broken down by year?

## **Our Response**

### County Durham place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in County Durham. Please redirect your query to Durham County Council, using the email [foi@durham.gov.uk](mailto:foi@durham.gov.uk)

### Gateshead place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in Gateshead. Please redirect your query to Gateshead Council, using the email [informationrights@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:informationrights@gateshead.gov.uk)

### Newcastle place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in Newcastle. Please redirect your query to Newcastle City Council using the email [freedomofinformation@newcastle.gov.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@newcastle.gov.uk)

### North Cumbria place

Weight management service contracts are not commissioned by North Cumbria place directly in the current year. There is a Tier 3 Weight Management service at North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS FT. You may wish to contact the Foundation Trust using the email [foirequests@ncic.nhs.uk](mailto:foirequests@ncic.nhs.uk)

North Cumbria CCG contracted a Tier 2 service with Slimming World on behalf of the Cumbria County Council in 2021/22 and 2022/23 for approximately £50k per year. This relates to around 950 people in each of the 2 years. For further information, may wish to contact Cumbria County Council via email using [information.governance@cumbria.gov](mailto:information.governance@cumbria.gov)

### North Tyneside place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in North Tyneside. Please redirect your query to North Tyneside Council using the email [foiofficer@northtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:foiofficer@northtyneside.gov.uk)

### Northumberland place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in Northumberland. Weight management services are contracted with, and provided by, Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT. You may wish to redirect your query to them, using the email [foi@northumbria.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@northumbria.nhs.uk) You may also wish to contact Northumberland County Council for information by emailing [foi@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:foi@northumberland.gov.uk)

### South Tyneside place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in South Tyneside. Please redirect your query to South Tyneside Council using the email [foi@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:foi@southtyneside.gov.uk)

### Sunderland place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in Sunderland. Please redirect your query to Sunderland City Council, by emailing [freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk)

### Tees Valley place

NENC ICB does not hold this information in Tees Valley. Please redirect your query to the 5 local authorities in the area:

<b>NENC Local Authorities</b>	<b>Email</b>
Darlington Borough Council	freedomofinformation@darlington.gov.uk
Hartlepool Borough Council	freedomofinformation@hartlepool.gov.uk
Middlesbrough Borough Council	foi@middlesbrough.gov.uk
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	information_security@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk
Stockton on Tees Borough Council	foiandcomplaints@stockton.gov.uk

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  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

[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 sincerely

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