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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 27 February 2026 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 submitting this request, on behalf of myself, under the Freedom of Information Act and the Code of Practice on Openness in the NHS.

1. Please provide a list of all providers the ICB holds contracts with for gynaecology services (covering any form of Obstetrics or gynaecology services).
 - Please include both statutory NHS and Independent Sector providers
 - Please include any broader services that include a Obstetrics or gynaecology element
2. For each contracted provider listed in the answer to question 1, please provide the following schedules as included in the contract the ICB holds:
 - Schedule 2A or equivalent: Service Specification that describes the service (whether standalone or integrated in a broader Service Specification)
 - Schedule 3A, 3B or 3C or equivalents: Describing national currencies and any local prices that apply to the services

Please provide any embedded files in a format that can be opened.

Our Response

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB holds some of the information you have requested.

1. NENC ICB holds contracts with the following providers for gynaecology services:

Circle Woodlands

County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (CDDFT)

County Durham, GP Practices – Community Gynae Services

County Durham, Dr Oliver – Tier 2 Gynae Service for patients registered with a GP within North Durham

Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust (GHFT)

Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (NuTH)

North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust (NTHFT)

Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHCFT)

Ramsay Cobalt

Ramsay Tees Valley

South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (STHFT)

South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust (STSFT)

Tyneside Surgical Services (TSS)

2. Schedules held are noted below and attached.

Circle Woodlands – no service specification held

CDDFT – Gynae Specification

County Durham, Dr Oliver – NECSD0033 – Tier 2 Gynae Service – Dr Oliver

County Durham, GP Practices – NECSD0208 – Primary Care Community Gynae

GHFT – Service Specification for Women (Women's Health Hubs only, other service specifications are not held)

NHCFT – NHCFT SCH2A ACUTE6a Maternity NCCG

NuTH – no service specification held

NTHFT – SCH2A Gynaecology Service

NTHFT – SCH2A Hospital Maternity Services.

Ramsay Cobalt Hospital – Service Specification

Ramsay Tees Valley – Gynaecology Service Specification

STHFT – Gynaecology

STSFT – Ref 501A – Obstetrics

STSFT – Ref 501AA – Maternity Specification

STSFT – Ref 502 – Gynaecology

TSS – Service Specification

Within the NHS, contracts are paid as part of foundation trust block contracts. Outside of the NHS, payments are in line with national tariffs.

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 Information 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.

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 faithfully

Information Governance Support Officer

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