



# North East and North Cumbria

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Applicant,  
By Email

Dear Applicant,

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information – NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.**

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 05/06/2023 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

For information Clinical Commissioning Groups ceased to exist on 30 June 2022. Services that were previously delivered by the CCG are now being delivered by the successor organisation NHS North East and North Cumbria (ICB). This 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.

**Request**

- a) How many GP surgeries in your ICS footprint closed (not including mergers with other practices) in each year from 2018-2022 (inclusive);
- b) How many patients were registered at the surgeries when they closed?
- c) How many GP practices in your ICS footprint closed their list to new registrations in each year from 2018-2022 (inclusive)

For ease of response, I have included a table:

|  | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|
| Number of practices that closed (not including mergers)                                      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Total number of patients who were registered with the practices when they closed             |      |      |      |      |      |
| The number of practices that closed their list to new registrations at any point in the year |      |      |      |      |      |

For the years before the ICS was created, I would be grateful if you could add together the numbers that closed/patients affected in each of the CCGs that combined to create the ICS.

### Response

*In accordance with section 1 of the Act this information cannot be provided as it is not held by NENC ICB. It may be held by NHS England and therefore we suggest you redirect your request to them. They can be contacted on: [england.contactus@nhs.net](mailto:england.contactus@nhs.net)*

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  
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[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.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

*Ehren Smith*

**Information Governance Officer**