

Our Reference North East and North Cumbria ICB\
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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 31 October 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, 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

Under the FOI Act, please could you send me a list of the members of the North East and North Cumbria area prescribing committee(s). This should cover any committees within the ICB that oversee prescribing and/or medicines management.

Please put this in an Excel format with the following columns:

- Name
- Job role
- Name of the committee
- Role on the committee (if any)

Our Response

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB does hold the information requested. This response covers all sub-ICB localities (SICBL) in NENC ICB. However, the information requested is publicly available using the links below.

In NENC ICB the Northern Treatment Advisory Group (NTAG) act as the ICB area prescribing committee for all the ICB. The committee membership, their names, role, minutes and decision are publicly available on their website. Please see link to the specific information on their website: [Terms of Reference and Membership – NTAG](#)

A formal Excel spreadsheet listing the name, job role, name of committee and role on the committee is not maintained by NENC ICB. This information is available from the meeting minutes held on the NTAG website. A link to the latest minutes, detailing the information requested is: [NTAG-Minutes-July-2025-approved.pdf](#)

Two additional groups feed into NTAG. These are the NENC Clinical Guidelines group and the NENC Formulary working group. Both groups' memberships – members names, role, minutes and decisions – are publicly available on the NTAG website. Please use the links below for each group:

- NENC Clinical Guidelines & Pathways Group: [NENC Clinical Guidelines & Pathways Group Meetings – NTAG](#)
- NENC Formulary Working Group: [NENC Formulary Working Group Meetings – NTAG](#)

In accordance with s.21 of the FOIA, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is reasonably accessible to you by other means.

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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