

Our Reference

North East & North Cumbria ICB\265

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Applicant By Email

Dear Applicant,

<u>Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information - NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.</u>

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 03/03/2023 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

Would be grateful if you could answer the following questions

- 1. Do you have a community dermatology provider?
- 2. If you have a provider that is not the acute trust, who are the providers covering your ICB area?
- 3. Have the CCGs that covered the ICB pre-June2022 or the ICB ever been to procurement for community dermatology?

If yes:

- 4. When did the service start?
- 5. What was/is the annual spend?
- 6. What is the contract end date?
- 7. Is there any extension pending on the dermatology contract?

Please can you provide the published service specification or that given to all bidders?

Response

Please note for question 3 the response is given by place at the ICB this covers the respective precursor CCG's.

County Durham:

Darlington:

- 1. Yes
- 2. The provider is Connect Health, and the service is for Darlington area only.
- 3 Yes
- 4. 01/04/2022
- 5. £1,057,803
- 6. 01/04/2022 31/03/2024
- 7. There is an option to extend for 1 year.

Remainder of County Durham:

- 1. Yes.
- 2. Cestria Health Centre
- 3. Information not held. This is due to the contract being renewed on an annual basis with the initial contract predating the CCG.
- 4. 01/04/2022.
- 5. £82,682 the contract is an activity-based contract; therefore, values not guaranteed.
- 6. 31/03/2023.
- 7. 1 year.

Newcastle & Gateshead:

- 1. No.
- 2. Nil.
- 3. No.
- 4. Nil.
- 5. Nil.
- 6. Nil.
- 7. Nil.

Northumberland:

- 1. No.
- 2. Nil.
- 3. No.
- 4. Nil.
- 5. Nil.
- 6. Nil.
- 7. Nil.

North Cumbria:

- 1. Yes.
- 2. Carlisle Healthcare GPwSI contract (CMS as subcontractor).
- 3. The Community Dermatology service is a GP with enhanced role services contract. All GP practices in Cumbria were invited to undertake enhanced service roles a number of years ago and practices that chose to provide the service have contracts reviewed and renewed annually following an assessment of ongoing service need and compliance with GP enhanced service competencies. We have one remaining practice providing a community dermatology service.
- 4. 2009
- 5. Block contract arrangement with practice covering a number of specialty areas in total. Due to this, we are unable to break down the contract to specifically cover the dermatology spend.
- 6. 31/03/2023
- 7. Please see attached PDF "NENC ICB North Cumbria Dermatology Service Specification.pdf".



North Tyneside:

- 1. No.
- 2. Nil.
- 3. No.
- 4. Nil.
- 5. Nil.
- 6. Nil.
- 7. Nil.

South Tyneside:

- 1. No.
- 2. Nil.
- 3. No.
- 4. Nil.
- 5. Nil.
- 6. Nil.
- 7. Nil.

Sunderland:

- 1. Yes.
- 2. South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust.
- 3. No.
- 4. 01/04/2013.
- 5. £670 per annum estimated. This is included in the block contract arrangements.
- 6. 31/03/2023
- 7. The contract is annually extended as per the Foundation Trust contract negotiations.

Tees Valley:

- 1. Yes.
- 2. The Headland Medical Centre & ELM Alliance.
- 3. Information not held. This is due to the contract being renewed on an annual basis with the initial contract predating the CCG.

The Headland Medical Centre:

- 4. 01/04/2023
- 5. Expected Annual Contract Value £29,283
- 6. 31/03/2023
- 7. No



ELM Alliance:

- 4. 01/04/2022
- 5. Expected Annual Contract Value £64,071
- 6. 30/03/2022
- 7. No



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

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Yours sincerely,

Ehren Smith

Information Governance Officer