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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 12 November 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

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your ICB. The questions relate to the community dermatology services your ICB commissions. Please could you provide me with an answer to the following:

1. Where activity-based tariffs are in place for community dermatology services, please could you provide a list of these tariffs (e.g. price for First Outpatient Appointment, price for Follow-up etc)?
2. Would you consider applications to be an additional community dermatology provider on an Any Qualified Provider basis? If so, please would you share any guidance or forms that would need to be completed by an applicant?

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

Our Response

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB does hold the information requested.

1. Hospital foundation trusts that deliver community dermatology services commissioned by NENC ICB operate on a block contract basis. Activity-based tariff Information is not held.

There are, however, tariff-based contracts for community dermatology services in County Durham and Tees Valley ICB places. Tariff details are noted below.

County Durham Community Dermatology Services 2025-26 Tariffs:

Dermatology – price per case	New	£103.35
	Review	£58.85
Minor Skin Surgery – price per case	New	£154.76
	New (No Procedure)	£90.46
	Review	£90.46

Minor skin surgery 2025-26 tariff is £200.36 per case

Tele dermatology services 2025-26 tariff is £32.53 per case

Tees Valley Community Dermatology Services 2025-26 Tariffs:

South Tees	Consultation only	£99.80
	Procedure	£134.25
	Follow up	£52.57
Hartlepool & Stockton	Minor Skin Procedure	£103.94
	Injection	£51.96

2. Any future dermatology contract opportunities will be procured in accordance with The Healthcare Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 (PSR).

All contracting opportunities with NENC ICB are advertised on the Atamis e-tendering platform <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> as well as the governments Central Digital Platform <https://www.gov.uk/find-tender>.

We recommend that you register your company details via these platforms to be kept up to date and alerted to opportunities. There are no restrictions under the current regulations for sole traders for taking part in these opportunities.

If the services mentioned fall within elective services led by a consultant or mental health care professional where the ICB has a legal duty to provide patients with a choice of provider, please follow the instructions below to express an interest to deliver the healthcare services.

How to express an interest in delivering services to NENC ICB under Patient Choice

1. Log in to the supplier portal at <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>
2. Locate the opportunity in 'Find Opportunities' – (Patient Choice Accreditation 2 - North East and North Cumbria ICB (Project Reference Number – C350309))
3. Select 'Register Interest' – 'Confirm'.
4. From your Home page select 'Click Here' under 'My Proposals and Quotes'.
5. The questions are located within the 'Requirements Section'
6. Once all questions are completed please click on 'Submit'.

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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