

Our Reference

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By Email

Dear

## <u>Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information – NHS North East and</u> <u>North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB)</u>

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 17 April 2023 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

NENC ICB covers the areas of County Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle, 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

### With regards to your organisation: North East and North Cumbria ICB

### QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON ADULT ADHD SERVICES

- 1. For your financial years 2022-23 and 2021-22 please can you tell us:
  - a. For each of those years how many adult assessments for ADHD were done?
    - i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

b. For each of those years what was the average waiting time (in weeks) for adults who had an assessment for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder).

i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

c. For each of those years how many adult ADHD referrals were rejected prior to the individual receiving an assessment?

i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

d. For each of those years how many adults were waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of the year.

i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

# QUESTIONS FOCUSED ON CHILD ADHD SERVICES

- 2. For your financial years 2022-23 and 2021-22 please can you tell us:
  - a. For each of those years how many child assessments for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) were done?
    - i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.
  - b. For each of those years what was the average waiting time (in weeks) for children who had an assessment for ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder).

i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

c. For each of those years how many child ADHD referrals were rejected prior to assessment?

i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

- d. For each of those years how many children were waiting for an ADHD Assessment at the end of the year.
  - i.If you have the data and it won't take us over the costs limit please can you break this down by gender.

# GENERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION AND ITS ADHD SERVICES

- 3. With relation to the present time (reflecting the most recent data that you have). Please can you answer the following questions:
  - a. With regards to your adult ADHD services.
    - i.Do you currently have a commissioned adult ADHD assessment service?
    - ii.How many adults do you have waiting for an adult ADHD assessment?
    - iii.What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for an adult ADHD Assessment?
    - iv.What is your current longest waiting time for an adult ADHD Assessment?
    - v.What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject adults who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.
    - vi.Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for adults with ADHD?
  - b. With regards to your child ADHD services

- i.Do you currently have a commissioned child ADHD Assessment service?
- ii.How many children do you have waiting for a child ADHD assessment?
- iii.What is your current expected waiting time (in weeks) for a child ADHD Assessment?
- iv.What is your current longest waiting time for a child ADHD Assessment?
- v.What is your process for reviewing and deciding whether to accept or reject children who have been referred for an ADHD assessment.
- vi.Is your organisation confident that it is satisfying the NICE guidelines for children with ADHD?
- c. Information on your financial year.

i.What are the dates of your financial year 2022-23.

ii.What are the dates of your financial year 2021-22.

## Our Response

NENC ICB does not hold the requested information. You will need to contact the providers of the service which are the Mental Health Trusts as noted below:

NENC Mental Health Hospital FTs	Email
Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT	foi@cntw.nhs.uk
Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS FT	tewv.foi@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 <a href="https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/">https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/</a>.

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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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 <u>www.legislation.gov.uk</u>. This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

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