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By Email

Dear

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 11 May 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

Please could you kindly provide the following information:

- Current typical waiting time for an ASD assessment (Autism Spectrum Disorder or Condition), for a child or young person, having been referred by a GP, health visitor, or other point of referral.

(for clarity, if a child was referred on 1st January and had to wait until 30th June for their assessment appointment, this would be a wait of 180 days)

- If the areas covered by your ICB mean that there is more than one answer to the above, please provide answers for all cases.

Response

In accordance with section 1 of the Act this information cannot be provided as it is not held by the ICB. It may be held by the providers listed below therefore we suggest you redirect your request to them

For County Durham and Tees Valley places - Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS Trust – tewv.ftmembership@nhs.net

For Newcastle Gateshead, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland places - Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS Foundation Trust – foi@ntw.nhs.uk

For North Cumbria place - North Cumbria Integrated Care Foundation NHS Trust - FOIRequests@ncic.nhs.uk

For North Tyneside place - Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust – foi@northumbria.nhs.uk

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

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 .
This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

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