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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 by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 9 March 2024 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 (which covers the 5 councils that make it up – Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees).

Please find the information you requested on behalf of the ICB as follows.

Your Request

Please could I ask for the following information related to Young Adults (18-25) with EHCP/Joint Packages from NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board?

1. For Q3 2023/24 – Total number of adults (from 18-25) who have Personal Health Budget with an EHCP in place?
2. From the above (1) cases, how many have an Integrated Budget?
3. From the above (2) cases, how many are classified as Direct Payments / 3rd party / Notional?
4. From the above (2), what is the split (%) for Lead Commissioner (i.e. ICB, Local, Authority, etc.).

Our Response

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB holds some of the information you have requested.

County Durham place

1. One adult (from 18-25) has Personal Health Budget with an EHCP in place.
2. Zero have an Integrated Budget.
3. 1 is classified as Direct Payments.
4. The split is 60% ICB and 40% Local Authority

Newcastle Gateshead place

On this occasion it is not possible to provide all of the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB holds some of the information you have requested for Newcastle Gateshead ICB place.

For questions 1 to 3, we have determined the records are held by Local Authorities within the Newcastle Gateshead ICB place. In accordance with our duty under s.16 of the FOIA to provide reasonable advice and assistance to an individual requesting information, we have provided the FOI email addresses for those Local Authorities to make your request.

NENC Local Authorities	Email
Gateshead Council	informationrights@gateshead.gov.uk
Newcastle City Council	freedomofinformation@newcastle.gov.uk

Personal Health Budget data is available on the NHS England website; the link to that data is <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/personal-health-budgets>

For question 4, the lead commissioner split is 65% ICB and 35% Local, Authority in Newcastle Gateshead ICB place.

North Cumbria place

1. One adult (from 18-25) has Personal Health Budget with an EHCP in place.
2. Zero have an Integrated Budget.
3. 1 is classified as Direct Payments.
4. The split is 1000% ICB

North Tyneside place

1. Two adults (from 18-25) have Personal Health Budget with an EHCP in place.
2. Zero have an Integrated Budget.
3. Two are classified as Direct Payments.
4. PHB's are not joint funded

Northumberland place

On this occasion it is not possible to provide the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested for Northumberland ICB place.

South Tyneside and Sunderland places

On this occasion it is not possible to provide the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested for South Tyneside and Sunderland ICB places.

Tees Valley place

1. Two adults (from 18-25) have Personal Health Budget with an EHCP in place.
2. Zero have an Integrated Budget.
3. Two are classified as Direct Payments.
4. The split is 100% ICB.

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 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 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 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.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 sincerely

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