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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 18 September 2026 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 request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the current organisational and senior leadership structure of the ICB. Please could you provide:

1. A copy of the ICB's current organisational chart, showing the senior management and leadership structure. Where possible, please provide the version which includes the names and job titles of current postholders.
2. Where names are not included on the organisational chart, please provide the name and job title of the individuals currently appointed to the senior leadership and management positions shown within the structure.
3. Please identify any senior positions which are currently:
   - For interim positions, please provide the name of the current interim postholder.
   - Vacant;
   - Being recruited to; or
   - Filled on an interim basis.
4. Where this is not clear from the organisational chart, please identify the named senior lead responsible for each of the following areas:
   - Primary Care
   - Urgent and Emergency Care

- Planned/Elective Care
- Commissioning
- Procurement/Commercial
- Strategy and Partnerships
- Transformation
- Finance

If the ICB is currently transitioning to a new organisational structure, please also provide a copy of the latest proposed or target organisational chart held by the ICB and, where recorded, the anticipated implementation date.

Where an organisational chart or any of the requested information is already publicly available, I would be very happy to receive a link to the relevant document or webpage.

I appreciate that organisational arrangements may still be developing following the recent changes to ICB structures, so please provide the latest information held by the ICB as at the date of this 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. The ICB's most recent organisational chart is attached. The full chart does not include staff names, however, the 'Final NENC ICB Executive and Senior Leader Team April 2026' structure shows the ICB's senior management and leadership.
2. Please refer to the response to question 1.
3. The senior leadership structure provided in response to question 1 shows no vacancies.
4. The named senior lead responsible for each of the areas requested are as follows:

    - Primary Care: Jacqueline Myers and Dr Neil O'Brien
    - Urgent and Emergency Care: Dr Neil O'Brien
    - Planned/Elective Care: Jacqueline Myers and Dr Neil O'Brien
    - Commissioning: Jacqueline Myers and Levi Buckley
    - Procurement/Commercial: Jacqueline Myers and Levi Buckley
    - Strategy and Partnerships: Jacqueline Myers (Strategy and other Partnerships) and Claire Riley (Corporate/Commercial Partnerships)
    - Transformation: Claire Riley, Jacqueline Myers and Craig Blair
    - Finance: David Chandler and Phil Argent

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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