

Our Reference SD\North East and North Cumbria ICB\FOI ICB306

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Dear

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

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 3 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

1. Do you use screening before referring Children to be assessed for ADHD?

Definition being as per NHS:

Screening: a triage process, using standardised tools and/or agreed processes and carried out by experienced Liaison and Diversion practitioners.

Assessment including specialist assessment: carried out by someone with a specific professional mandate, i.e. with requisite professional skills.

- a. If yes, when did you introduce screening?
- b. For the years 2020,2021 and 2022 please provide the following broken down by calendar year.
 - I. Number of individuals who received screening.
 - II. Number of individuals who were then referred for assessment.
- 2. Do you use screening before referring Adults to be assessed for ADHD?

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If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the time or cost limits identified in Section 12, please provide the information in part and chronologically with a priority placed upon 2022 data.

Please also advise and assist, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request if needs be.

Our Response

North East and North Cumbria ICB does not hold this information for all ICB places.

County Durham place:

For County Durham, please redirect your query to the Mental Health provider, Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (FT), using the email tewv.foi@nhs.net

Gateshead place:

For Gateshead we advise you to redirect your query to the Mental Health provider, Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk

Newcastle place:

For Newcastle we advise you to redirect your query to the Mental Health provider for over 5s assessments. This is Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk For under 5's assessments, we would advise that you redirect your query to the acute trust provider, Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS FT, using the email nuth.freedom.information@nhs.net

North Cumbria place:

North Cumbria place have advised that because the request refers to Liaison and Diversion practitioners, who work in the criminal justice system, the request should be redirected to the Police or Criminal Justice Department, using the online_form at Cumbria Police's website or by emailing data.access@justice.gov.uk

North Tyneside place:

There is no pre-referral screening for ADHD assessment in North Tyneside, so this is a nil response.

Northumberland place:

For Northumberland, we advise you to redirect your query to the Mental Health provider. This is Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk

South Tyneside place:

For South Tyneside, you may wish to redirect your query to the Mental Health provider. This is Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk

Sunderland place:

For Sunderland, we advise you to redirect your query to the Mental Health provider. This is Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk

Tees Valley place:

For Tees Valley, please redirect your query to the Mental Health provider, Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS FT, using the email 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 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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