

Our Reference

North East & North Cumbria ICB\428

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Applicant By Email

Dear Applicant,

<u>Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information – NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.</u>

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 22/06/2023 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

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.

Request

- 1. Please can you list the NHS Providers within your ICS with who you have an elective services contract.
- 2. Against each Provider, please identify if you have used the national payment system as the basis for your contract i.e. the 'variable payment element' covers elective activity and first outpatients, and the 'non-variable payment element' (block) is everything else.
- 3. Where local variations to the national payment system have been used, please provide details of the 'Principle Rules' around the local variation and the rationale; detailed commercial information is not expected or required.

Response

1. Please find a list of acute hospital trust providers in the North East and North Cumbria with whom elective services contracts are held. We have included their FOI addresses, should you wish to contact them directly.

NENC Acute Hospital FTs	Email
County Durham & Darlington NHS FT	cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.net
Gateshead Health NHS FT	ghnt.foi.enquiries@nhs.net
North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS FT	foirequests@ncic.nhs.uk
North Tees & Hartlepool NHS FT	foi@nth.nhs.uk
Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT	foi@northumbria.nhs.uk
South Tees Hospitals NHS FT	foi@stees.nhs.uk
South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS FT	stsft.freedomofinformation@nhs.net
The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS FT	nuth.freedom.information@nhs.net

- 2. The national payment system outlines an API contract which has a variable element for specified elective activity, and everything else is covered by a fixed element. Any deviation from this is a local variation. NENC ICB has followed the national payment system for our contracts, therefore no variations.
- 3. Please refer to the response to question 2.

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

Sarah Davies

Information Governance Officer