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Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information – NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 15 November 2022 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.

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).

Details of Request and Reply

1. Does North East and North Cumbria ICB and its local authorities that are part of North East and North Cumbria ICS have an agreed Learning Disability and Autism Strategy (3-5 year) for its Mental Health commissioning priorities? Yes.

2. If yes or partial in Q1, does this strategy include the commissioning of diagnostic pathways for other neurodevelopmental conditions such as Autism and/or ADHD?

Yes.

3. If yes or partial in Q1, does the strategy pertain to adults (18+) only, or children only, or is the strategy all-age?

All-age

4. Does North East and North Cumbria ICB have or intend to operate with a Lead Provider Model for the commissioning of its services (including diagnostic pathways) for Autism, ADHD and other neurodevelopmental conditions?

Not planned at the moment.

5. If yes to Q4, what is the timeline for the implementation of a Lead Provider Model if it is not already in place?

N/A

6. Does North East and North Cumbria ICB and North East and North Cumbria ICS have a Learning Disabilities and Autism Mental Health Provider Collaborative that oversees and/or advises on the clinical quality of the diagnosis of Autism, ADHD and/or other neurodevelopmental conditions? *No.*

7. If yes to Q6, does this provider collaborative address outpatient community services?

N/A

8. If yes to Q6, which organisations are involved?

N/A

9. Within North East and North Cumbria ICB, or North East and North Cumbria ICS, or the Lead Provider of LDA diagnostic services (if applicable), is there an LDA Programme (system) Lead and/or Clinical Lead for Autism, ADHD or other neurodevelopmental conditions? What is their title?

Yes, ICB Learning Disabilities and Autism Workstream Clinical Champion.

10. Does North East and North Cumbria ICB and its local authorities that are part of North East and North Cumbria ICS pool or align finances for the commissioning of its Autism or other neurodevelopmental services (for example under Section 75)?

Yes, in a small number of localities.

11. If no to Q10, do they intend to do so in the future?

N/A

12. If yes to Q10, does the scope of this pooling include diagnostic pathways?

No

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Yours sincerely

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