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By Email

Dear

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

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 09 June 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.

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 (NENC ICB). 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 and responses

County Durham

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

We have a locally agreed Incentive Scheme (LIS) in County Durham for general practice, this scheme encompasses our Enhanced Services which include:

- a) Prescribing GNRH analogue therapy
- b) Ear care
- c) practices will undertake hospital requested investigations
- d) Stratified follow-up of CRC prostate and breast cancer patients
- e) Osteoporosis - Denosumab injections
- f) ABPI Assessments
- g) Low risk chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia follow up
- h) Surveillance of Monoclonal Gammopathy of unknown significance (MGUS)
- i) Primary care to use ELF (enhanced liver fibrosis monitoring)
- j) Provide 'fit notes' if hospitals have failed to do so
- k) National Diabetes Prevention

- **How many LES / LCS has the ICB terminated or discontinued during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**
 - **Please give details of the changes, including the name of the service contracted and date discontinued, and the total value attached to each.**

None.

- **How many new LES / LCS has the ICB implemented during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**
 - **Please give details of the LES / LCS, including the name of the service contracted and date confirmed/established, and total funding allocated to each contract.**

None

- **Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?**
 - **If yes, please give details of service and changes.**

N/A (Regional ICB steer on this, rather than local 'Place').

- **Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?**

N/A

Newcastle

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**
- *Care Homes DES+*
- *Androgen – PSA*
- *Denosumab Administration*
- *Supporting Transfer of Care (SToC)*
- *ECG*
- *Severe Mental Illness (SMI) Physical Health Checks*
- *Multi-agency report writing*

- *Newcastle Diabetes Service*
 - *GP Support to Homeless Service*
 - *GP Support to Resource Centres*
 - *Care and Support Planning*
 - *Asylum Seekers Health checks*
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None terminated or discontinued – all the above were offered in 2022/23 and will be for 2023/24

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- **How many new LES / LCS has the ICB implemented during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**

No new LES implemented in 2022/23 or 2023/24 to date – all the above were offered in 2022/23 and will be for 2023/24

- **Please give details of the LES / LCS, including the name of the service contracted and date confirmed/established, and total funding allocated to each contract.**
- **Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?**

No changes to thresholds

- **If yes, please give details of service and changes.**
- **Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?**

Not applicable – see statement 1

Gateshead

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

SS No.	Title
G01	<i>Diabetes</i>
G02	<i>Androgen Deprivation Therapy – now includes women with Endometriosis</i>
G03	<i>Denosumab</i>
G04	<i>Supporting Transfers of Care (STOC)</i>

- G05 ECG
- G06 Osteoporosis
- G07 Intermediate care beds (x2 practices only)
- G08 LVSD
- G09 DMARDS
- G10 Anti-Coagulation
- G11 SMI Health Checks
- G12 Multi-agency Report writing
- G13 Migrant Service Clinic
- G14 Asylum Seeker Health Assessments
- G15 Antipsychotics

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New LES in 23/24 = From April 2023 reinstated antipsychotics with a budget of £40k

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In 23/24 we added women with Endometriosis to the Androgen Therapy LES so practices could claim for this activity.

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N/A

Northumberland

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

1. *Area Prescribed Committee – Shared Care Services*
2. *Deep Vein Thrombosis Community Pathway*

3. *Education and Clinical Pathways*
4. *Flu Immunisation Stretch*
5. *Practice Medicines Management*
6. *Primary Care Phlebotomy – Evidence of Secondary Care Activity Transfer*
7. *Prostate Specific Antigen Monitoring in Primary Care*
8. *Immune Modifying Drugs Monitoring in Primary Care*
9. *Serious Mental Illness and Physical Health Checks*
10. *Primary Care Network Service: Engagement, Business Continuity, Population Health Management*

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Two services were decommissioned in 2022/23/24

- *Digital Dermatology – this has now become a nationally commissioned service under the NCD - £101,000 decommissioned April 2023*
- *Practice Activity Scheme - £678,427 decommissioned April 2023*

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Two new services have been commissioned for 2023/24

- *Education and Clinical Pathways - £250,000 to commence July 2023*
- *Resilience, Capacity and Surge - £200,000 to commence July 2023*

- **Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?**
 - **If yes, please give details of service and changes.**

No changes to thresholds have been made

- **Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?**

Two new services have been commissioned (see above)

All other services have received a financial uplift of 7% as a reinvestment in primary care

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

Minor Injuries, Warfarin Monitoring, Hormonal Injection Administration, Near Patient Testing & Supply of Gluten Free Products (Dispensing Practices only)

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zero

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- **How many new LES / LCS has the ICB implemented during the 2022/23 year and 2023/24 (to date)?**

zero

- **Please give details of the LES / LCS, including the name of the service contracted and date confirmed/established, and total funding allocated to each contract**

- **Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?**

No

- **If yes, please give details of service and changes.**

- **Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated? –**

N/A

North Tyneside

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

*PSA Monitoring Service
Diabetes Care Planning Service
Minor Surgery (same as National but allows inter-practice referrals)
Shared Care Drugs Service
Enhanced Care in Care Homes Service (extension on National contract)
Deep Vein Thrombosis Service
Heavy Menstrual Bleeding Service*

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None

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1st April 2022 Minor Surgery, same as National but allows inter-practice referral, no separate funding allocation, practices can choose either or contract.

1st April 2023 PSA Monitoring Service, £75,000 budget for North Tyneside

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No

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Not applicable

South Tyneside

What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?

- *Prostate Cancer Androgen Therapy*
- *Near Patient Testing for the monitoring of Disease Modifying Antirheumatic Drugs (DMARDs) in Rheumatology*
- *Minor Surgery*
- *Anticoagulation Monitoring Service*

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None - have remained as 21/22.

Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its LES/ LCS since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?

No

Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?

N/A as no LES have been decommissioned.

Sunderland

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

*Quality Premium
Shared Care*

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NIL were decommissioned

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Quality Premium commissioned in both 22/23 and 23/24 – a mixture of different clinical indicators for practices to implement. This is a scheme with 70% automatic funding, 30% based on activity and a QP plus which is payment for specific purposes. This took effect from 01 April within each calendar year and total funding is £10.57 per registered patient (70% + 30% elements) plus additional payment for:

Learning Disabilities Health Check £140 per health check undertaken

Prostate Cancer £44.13 per injections and £60.73 per annual review

NHS Health Checks - £36.55 per health check undertaken plus £15 if meet certain criteria

Contraception per patient – Up to £45.00 for sub-dermal implant insertion and removal £70, fitting of IUD £90, 3-6 week check of IUD £20 and removal of IUD £20

Smoking cessation - £15.50 to set quit date, £41 for each user that has quit for 4 weeks and £41 for those who have quit at 12 weeks.

Shared Care – commissioned in both 22/23 and 23/24 – for monitoring, review and interventions in respect of a wide list of drugs and also includes treatment room services

Paid at £3.14 per patient per annum

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No

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Not applicable

Tees Valley

- **What locally enhanced services (LES) / locally commissioned services (LCS) available to GP practices are currently in place in the ICB?**

Local Improvement Scheme (LIS) (all 5 places); anticoag dosing & monitoring (all except Darlington); DVT (Middlesbrough, Redcar & Darlington); asylum seeker support (all 5 places)

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N/A

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Yes

- **If yes, please give details of service and changes.**

Asylum seeker LES was previously commissioned from less than 5 practices, this has now been offered to all practices in Tees Valley

- **Where has any money saved from decommissioning LES / LCS been allocated?**

N/A

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/>.

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Yours sincerely

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