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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 8 November 2022 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 (ICB). This 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.

Request

Please can I request the following information for NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.

Please advise if this ICB will be making the decisions for any changes relating to the formulary for blood glucose meters and test strips.

Please provide the name, email address and telephone number of the department or person(s) who will be making the decisions for any changes relating to the formulary for blood glucose meters and test strips.

Response

County Durham

Formulary and guideline decisions are made locally via Durham/Tees Valley APC.

This is a multi-disciplinary approach and not by one individual.

Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria, North Tyneside and Northumberland

Any changes to the APC's formulary any new draft guideline will be discussed by the Medicines Guideline and Use Group which is a subcommittee of the APC.

We follow North of Tyne formulary - contact details are available on the following page <http://northoftyneandgatesheadformulary.nhs.uk/>

South Tyneside

A minor review will take place shortly once regional commissioning arrangements for CGM have been updated.

Contact: Marie Thompkins, marie.thompkins@nhs.net 07786174336

Sunderland

The formulary is reviewed on an ongoing basis.

South Tyneside and Sunderland Area Prescribing Committee nencicb-sun.apc@nhs.net

Tees Valley

Any decisions in relation to changes to formularies and guidelines will be made locally, currently via Durham/Tees APC

Any changes will be via a multi-disciplinary approach, and not one individual

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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