



# North East and North Cumbria

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Dear

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information – NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB)**

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 21 August 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 (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.

### **Your Request**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following information regarding supported living services for adults with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD), mental health (MH) and Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

Supported living may also be called Supported accommodation or Supported housing and is a housing scheme where housing, support and care services are provided to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible in the community.

Long term care is provided to clients on an ongoing basis and varies from high intensity provision such as nursing care, to lower intensity support in the community such as the provision of direct payments to arrange regular home care visits.

Please note, that by MH, we mean 'Mental Health Support' and not 'Support with Memory and Cognition' or 'Substance Misuse Support'.

Please provide answers on the attached and accompanying spreadsheet, and wherever possible, please provide separate out for each category of LD, MH, and ASD.

1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for placements in supported living.

2. Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD), autism (ASD), or mental health (MH) needs funded by the ICB/Health Board and receiving long-term care in supported living settings. Please provide data for the financial year 2021/22, 2022/23 and where possible, projected figures for 2023/24.

- a) How many are placed in area (i.e. within the ICB/Health Board boundary)?
- b) How many are placed out of area (i.e. outside the ICB/Health Board boundary)?

3. Please provide the number of (a) New joiners and (b) Leavers of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD or MH needs in long-term supported living settings. Please provide data for the financial year 2021/22, 2022/23 and where possible, projected figures for 2023/24.

(Please note, by new joiner we mean an individual who is new to adult social care during the year or was previously not in a long-term supported living setting. By leaver we mean a person whose case is closed with adult social care, or whose supported living placement has ended and been replaced by a different service (e.g. a residential placement))

- a) New joiners
- b) Leavers

4. Please provide a list of providers of supported living services used by the ICB/Health Board to place adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD or MH receiving long-term care. To clarify, this does not include sole providers of accommodation, such as Housing Associations; only registered care providers, and is only those providers registered as a care agency with the inspectorate. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23.

- a) Please provide, for each provider, the number of adults aged 18-64 with LD, ASD and MH funded by the ICB/Health Board in long-term supported living placements.
- b) Please provide total expenditure with each provider related to long-term placements in supported living for adults aged 18-64 with LD, ASD and MH.

5. Please provide the average weekly fee the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of long-term care in supported living settings for adults (aged 18-64) with LD, ASD and MH. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23.

6. Please provide the number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, ASD and MH needs in supported living with fees per week of;

- a) Less than £500
- b) £500 to £749
- c) £750 to £999
- d) £1,000 to £1,249
- e) £1,250 to £1,499
- f) £1,500 to £1,999
- g) £2,000 to £2,499
- h) £2,500 or more

7. Please provide the (a) highest, (b) lowest and (c) average hourly rate the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of supported living services for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD, MH and ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2022/23.

- a) Highest
- b) Lowest
- c) Average

## Our Response

North East and North Cumbria ICB does not hold the information you have requested. Please redirect your queries to the Local Authorities in the region. Council names and FOI email addresses are listed in the table below, for your information and assistance.

NENC Local Authorities	Email
Cumbria County Council	information.governance@cumbria.gov
Darlington Borough Council	freedomofinformation@darlington.gov.uk
Durham County Council	foi@durham.gov.uk
Gateshead Council	informationrights@gateshead.gov.uk
Hartlepool Borough Council	freedomofinformation@hartlepool.gov.uk
Middlesbrough Borough Council	foi@middlesbrough.gov.uk
Newcastle City Council	freedomofinformation@newcastle.gov.uk
North Tyneside Council	foiofficer@northtyneside.gov.uk
Northumberland County Council	foi@northumberland.gov.uk
Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	information_security@redcar-cleveland.gov.uk
South Tyneside Council	foi@southtyneside.gov.uk
Stockton on Tees Borough Council	foiandcomplaints@stockton.gov.uk
Sunderland City Council	freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk

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.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.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](http://www.legislation.gov.uk) . This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

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