



North East and North Cumbria

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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 31 October 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).

Your Request

In April of 2023, in relation to NHS Continuing Healthcare assessments conducted in accordance with the Standing Rules s.21(2) and using the decision support tool:

1. Where at least one priority level was identified, how many assessments led to a recommendation of eligibility and how many did not?
2. Where at least two severe levels (but no priority level) were identified, how many assessments led to a recommendation of eligibility and how many did not?
3. Where one severe level (but no priority level) was identified, how many assessments led to a recommendation of eligibility and how many did not?
4. Where a number of domains with high and/or moderate needs (phrasing taken from the DST) but no severe or priority level identified, how many assessments led to a recommendation of eligibility and how many did not?

Our Response

ICB place	Q1 response	Q2 response	Q3 response	Q4 response
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County Durham	0 not identified therefore 0 eligible	3 identified and 1 eligible	6 identified and 4 eligible	41 identified and 23 eligible
Newcastle Gateshead	PHCN - 1 not eligible - 0	PHCN – 3 not eligible - 0	PHCN – 11 not eligible - 8	PHCN – 6 not eligible - 25
North Cumbria	0 not identified therefore 0 eligible	1 identified and 1 eligible	3 identified and 1 eligible	4 identified and 4 eligible
North Tyneside	0 eligible 0 not eligible	1 eligible 0 not eligible	1 eligible 11 not eligible	2 eligible 5 not eligible
Northumberland	Refer to below	Refer to below	Refer to below	Refer to below
South Tyneside	1 eligible 0 not eligible	2 eligible 0 not eligible	4 eligible 7 not eligible	8 eligible 12 not eligible
Sunderland	PHCN (eligible) - 1 not eligible - 0	PHCN (eligible) – 6 not eligible - 0	PHCN (eligible) – 1 not eligible - 13	PHCN (eligible) – 1 not eligible - 14
Tees Valley	1 not identified therefore 1 eligible	4 identified and 1 eligible	7 identified and 5 eligible	52 identified and 43 eligible

Northumberland ICB place is shown below:

DSTs 01/04/23 – 30/04/23	CHC	FNC	NOT CHC/FNC	TOTAL
Q1 response	0	0	0	0
Q2 response	15	1 (S117)	0	16
Q3 response	6	8	6	20
Q4 response	2	9	13	24
TOTAL	23	18	19	60

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

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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

Hilary Murphy

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