

Our Reference North East and North Cumbria ICB\
FOI ICB 24–296

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By Email

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Dear Applicant

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 24 October 2024 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (the ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The ICB covers the areas of County Durham, Gateshead, Newcastle, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland, and Tees Valley (which covers the five local authorities of Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland and Stockton-on-Tees).

Please find the information you requested on behalf of the ICB as follows.

Your Request

Please provide me with a list of local GP Practices that have obtained Transition Cover and Transformation Support Funding, to include:

- Practice Name
- ODS Code
- Financial Year funding accessed
- Level of funding accessed

Please also provide me with a list of local GP Practices that have participated in, or been accepted for, the Practice Level Support element of the General Practice Improvement Programme (GPIP), to include:

- Practice Name
- ODS Code
- Date delivery started
- Delivery Partner that delivered the support

Our Response

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB holds some of the information you have requested.

Transition Cover and Transformation Support Funding

The attached spreadsheet (FOI ICB 24-296 – TCTS) lists the practices that have received Transition Cover and Transformation Support Funding. The spreadsheet is split into 2 worksheets for 2023/24 and 2024/25 and details the following information:

- Practice Name
- Practice ODS Code

Please note, for 2024/25, the practices listed are those practices that have received funding as of October 2024.

The level of ICB funding accessed by practices is:

- 2023/24: £2.382 million.
- 2024/25, as of October 2024: £1,667,884.50.

General Practice Improvement Programme

The attached spreadsheet (FOI ICB 24-296 – GPIP) lists the practices that have taken part or are currently taking part in the Practice Level Support (PLS) offer of the General Practice Improvement Programme (GPIP). The spreadsheet is split into 2 worksheets for 2023/24 and 2024/25 and details the following information:

- Practice Name
- ODS Code
- Month and/or year delivery started
- Delivery Partner that delivered the support

We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB on this occasion is not able to provide the requested information for the Delivery Partner that delivered support for financial year 2023/24. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested. However, we have determined that the information is held by NHS England

In accordance with our duty under s.16 of the FOIA to provide reasonable advice and assistance to an individual requesting information, the NHS England Freedom of Information email address is england.contactus@nhs.net Please write "Freedom of Information" in the subject line.

In accordance 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 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 review, you do have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. 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

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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