



North East and North Cumbria

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By Email

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 26 January 2024 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

The team I work with are looking at Neuro services across the England. Specifically, we wanted to review the current waiting list and referral data (e.g., date from when a young person is referred to being seen for assessment/treatment) for services across different parts of the country.

Please can you tell us the current waiting times for young people being assessed for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder within your local area, e.g., when a young person is referred and how long it will take for them to be seen for an assessment/treatment.

Our Response

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

County Durham and Tees Valley places

The attached information applies to County Durham and Tees Valley Children and Young People only (up to the age of 18) for the period up to 2nd January 2024. Reports are provided routinely by Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust to the NENC ICB. For anything other than what has been provided (which is all we receive on waiting times for these pathways), the query will need redirecting to the Foundation Trust as follows: Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS FT at tevv.foi@nhs.net

North Cumbria place

Please refer to the attached document labelled North Cumbria CYP ADHD Waiting Times.

North Tyneside place

Please note that the wait times and numbers for North Tyneside are for a full neurodevelopmental assessment and are not ADHD specific as the CAMHS service reports on neuro as a whole.

As of 15th January 2024, there were 520 patients on the Neuro Waiting List.

| Wait Group | Number of patients | % from Total |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Under 12 months | 481 | 92.5% |
| 12 months - under 24 months | 39 | 7.5% |
| 24 months or more | 0 | 0.0% |

The longest wait as of this date was 71 weeks.

The information you have requested in relation to Gateshead, Newcastle, Northumberland, South Tyneside and Sunderland is held by the Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust (CNTW) who you can contact at foi@cntw.nhs.uk

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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