



North East and North Cumbria

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Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information – NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 18 November 2022 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.

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).

Details of Request

- 1. Who is your Lead for Urology Appliance Prescribing Spend?**
- 2. What is their job title?**
- 3. Please provide their email address**
- 4. Do you operate any centralised Urology Appliance or Catheter prescribing service(s) within your ICS?**
- 5. If yes, which Places does this cover?**
- 6. Who Provides the Service?**
- 7. What are the Contract Start / Review / End Dates**
- 8. What was the Total Net Cost of prescribing Urology Appliances in 2021/22**

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/>.

Response

- 1. The term 'urology appliances' is not a standard term so it is not clear what is being requested. If it is catheters, catheter maintenance products and incontinence*

appliances then these can be supplied through a variety of different mechanisms and therefore there is no single lead

2. N/A
3. N/A
4. N/A
5. N/A
6. N/A
7. N/A
8. *information relating to prescribing cost/items is publicly available on OpenPrescribing: <https://openprescribing.net/analyse/>*

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
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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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