



North East and North Cumbria

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By Email

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 July 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

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from the ICB. Please may you provide me with:

1. The names of providers for homeless GP services in your area
2. For each of these, what services they provide

Our Response

County Durham place:

As homeless GP services is part of the GMS contract, we do not commission anything over and above the GMS requirement.

Gateshead place:

We do not commission a specific service for homeless GP services.

Newcastle place:

We have 3 GP practices who have an enhanced service to offer support to patients of no fixed abode. The practices are:

Cruddas Park Surgery, Heaton Road Surgery, West Road Medical Group

They are all signed up to the attached service specification.

North Cumbria place:

North Cumbria has no specific service commissioned for this cohort.

North Tyneside place:

All practices are contracted to provide general practice services to homeless people. Currently we do not commission any additional services locally over and above this.

Northumberland place:

Northumberland does not commission these services.

South Tyneside place:

Under the GMS/APMS contract ALL GP practices must provide a service to Homeless people. The names and address's of all South Tyneside Practices is freely available via numerous websites including the CQC and NHSE.

Sunderland place:

We do not commission a specific practice for homeless GP services in Sunderland.

Tees Valley place:

All of our GP practices in Tees Valley are providers of homeless services. All GP practices can register homeless patients. Please see the link below for more information.

<https://assets.nhs.uk/prod/documents/how-to-register-with-a-gp-homeless.pdf>

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

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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