



North East and North Cumbria

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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 22 March 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.

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. Please will you provide me with information relating to the waiting lists for Adult and CYP ADHD and ASD referrals. I am seeking:

1. A copy of the latest correspondence stating the expected numbers and waiting times for patients who are referred to secondary care to receive their first appointment; or,
2. A copy of any emails stating the expected number and waiting times for patients who are referred to secondary care to receive their first appointment.

Please provide the information in the form that is most convenient to the ICB.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, I would be grateful for any further advice and assistance.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone and I will be very happy to clarify what I am asking for and discuss the request, my details are outlined below.

Our Response

North East and North Cumbria ICB does not hold this information. We would advise you to redirect your query to the Mental Health providers in the NENC region.

For Gateshead, Newcastle, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside and Sunderland, please redirect your query to Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS Foundation Trust, using the email foi@cntw.nhs.uk

For County Durham and Tees Valley, please redirect your query to Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust, using the email tewv.foi@nhs.net

Please be advised that there is published information available on waiting times on the NHS England website, however, this is older data. It can be accessed using the links below.

[Waiting times for children and young people's mental health services 2021 - 2022 - NHS Digital](#)

The data above comes from the MHSDS submissions which are also published:

[Mental Health Services Monthly Statistics - NHS Digital](#)

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.gov.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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