

Our Reference

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By Email

Dear

<u>Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information - NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board.</u>

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 26 July 2022 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (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). This covers the areas of County Durham, Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland and Tees Valley.

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

Request

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, I would be grateful if you could comply with the following request. Could you provide the following information:

I would like to know how many women aged over 50 are registered with GPs in the District of Eden. I would like this information to be broken down by postcode.

I would also like to know how many women aged over 50 were screened for breast cancer in the District of Eden during the most recent 12-month period for which data is available. I would like this information to be broken down by postcode.

Response

The first part of your query around practice populations is exempt from disclosure in accordance with section 21 of the Act as this information is available by reasonable alternative means. This information is publicly available here a nationally available website:

https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/patients-registered-at-a-gp-practice/july-2022

This will provide information to Lower Super Output Area (an area with a certain amount of population in it) level, if not postcode level, and can be broken down by age.

Regarding the second part of your request and breast screening: This information is also publicly available here:

https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/cancerservices/data#page/3/gid/1938132830/pat/167/par/E38000215/ati/7/are/A82004/iid/91340/age/265/sex/4/cat/-1/ctp/-1/yrr/1/cid/4/tbm/1

Fingertips has details of the breast screening take up by practice.

No further information is held by the ICB in relation to your request. Furthermore, these links may not give you exactly what you are requesting as the granularity required in your request (postcode and age) may mean that any information provided could potentially identify patients and, as such, may not be available on a national website.

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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