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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 14 February 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

I am requesting information about mental health support teams (MHSTs) that operate in the ICB area or that will be operational by the end of 2024. Specifically, I would like to know the following information for each MHST:

- Name and location of the MHST:
- The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings it serves:
- The approximate number of pupils it serves:
- Its approximate annual budget:
- The number of full-time equivalent (FTE) clinical and non-clinical staff assigned to each MHST

Our Response

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

The total budget for mental health support teams (MHSTs) across NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) £10,620k. Other questions are answered by place.

County Durham place

North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) does not hold the records which you have sought for County Durham ICB place. However, we have determined the records are held by Tees, Esk & Wear Valley NHS FT.

In accordance with our duty under s.16 of the FOIA to provide reasonable advice and assistance to an individual requesting information, the Freedom of Information email address for the mental health hospital is tewv.foi@nhs.net

Gateshead place

The name and location of the MHST is RISE MHST – Gateshead school settings. The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings it serves:

- 66 primary
- 13 Secondary which includes an Independent school, foundation trust school and PRU
- 1 FE college
- 1 Independent Special School
- 1 Nursery (2-5)
- 5 Special Alternative

The approximate number of pupils it serves is 27760. There are 14 staff for 2 MHSTs.

Newcastle place

Newcastle RISE Team – 2 teams. Newcastle has over 120 educational settings. The current coverage offered is 44%. Based on 44% school coverage the number of pupils RISE serves is approximately 20,017.

Each team has 5 clinical staff and 3.2 non clinical staff.

North Cumbria place

Name and location of North Cumbria MHSTs:

- Carlisle MHST covers Carlisle area
- Allerdale MHST covers Workington, Maryport, Cockermouth
- Wave 9 MHST covers Penrith, Carlisle, Whitehaven, Wigton, Asaptria

The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings it serves:

- Carlisle MHST has 22 schools in total
 - Primary Schools – 14
 - Secondary Schools – 6
 - Other settings – 2 (Special schools/ PRU)
- Allerdale MHST has 22 schools/Colleges in total
 - Primary Schools – 13
 - Secondary Schools – 5
 - Further Education Colleges – 1

Other settings – 3 (Special schools/ PRU)

- Wave 9 MHST has 21 schools (some schools only work with Key Stage 3)
Primary Schools – 12
Secondary Schools – 9

Each MHST serves approximately 7000 children/ young people.

The number of full-time equivalent (FTE) clinical and non-clinical staff assigned to each MHST is:

- 0.5 – Service Manager
- 2 – Team Manager and Clinical Lead
- 2 – Senior Practitioners
- 4 – Education Mental Health Practitioners
- 1 – Admin

North Tyneside place

Connect MHST (Wave 5 and Wave 7), North Tyneside Council:

School Type	Wave 5	Wave 7	Total
First	1	2	3
Primary	13	14	27
Middle	0	1	1
Secondary / High	4	6	10
Special	2	1	3
Total	20	24	44

Pupil numbers:

Wave 5: 9325

Wave 7: 11869 (some of these will become Wave 11 in Sept 24)

Each team is made up of the following:

Staff	Wave 5	Wave 7	Wave 11: (September 24)
Admin	0.5	0.5	0.5
EMHPs (Qualified)	4	4	4
Senior MHST Practitioners	2	2	2
Clinical Lead / Service Lead	0.5	0.5	0.5

Northumberland place

The North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) does not hold the records which you have sought for Northumberland ICB place. However, we have determined the records are held by Northumbria Healthcare NHS FT.

In accordance with our duty under s.16 of the FOIA to provide reasonable advice and assistance to an individual requesting information, the Freedom of Information email address for the acute hospital is foi@northumbria.nhs.uk

South Tyneside place

The name and location of the MHST is:

Healthy Minds Team
Cleadow Primary Care Centre
Prince Edward Road
South Shields
Tyne & Wear
NE34 8PS

The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings it serves is 59. The list can be accessed using the link [Our Healthy Minds Team | \(southtynesidelifecyclementalhealth.nhs.uk\)](https://southtynesidelifecyclementalhealth.nhs.uk)

The number of pupils it serves is approximately 23,000. Total staffing across 3 MHSTs is detailed below:

WTE	BAND	ROLE
1.0	8a	Clinical Lead
1.0	7	Clinical Team Manager
1.0	7	Systemic Practitioner/Family Therapist
1.0	6	Substance Misuse Counsellor
5.0	6	Primary Mental Health Worker / Senior EMHP
5.0	5	Education Mental Health Practitioners
1.0	5	Counsellor
3.7	5	EMHP's /CAMHS Practitioners
1.0	4	EMHP Trainee
1.0	4	EMHP Trainee

Sunderland place

The name and location of the MHST is Healthy Heads, Sunderland.

By the end of 2024, the MHST is expected to be serving the following educational settings, however, this is subject to change as recruitment of settings for the most recent wave is still ongoing:

- 48 primaries
- 8 secondaries
- 2 primary & secondary
- 1 primary, secondary & sixth form
- 4 secondary & sixth form
- 1 alternative provision (Ages 4-14)

The approximate number of pupils it serves is 23,400. The number of full-time equivalent (FTE) clinical and non-clinical staff assigned to each MHST are 21 clinical and 2.3 non-clinical.

Tees Valley place

North Tees

Alliance Psychological Service provide the service for the MHST in the North Tees area for the financial year 2023/24.

The MHST team in North Tees currently has the following workforce:

- 1.5 Service Managers
- 1.5 Admin
- 20.0 Clinical Staff

The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings with the approximate number of pupils Alliance Psychological Service serves is as following:

42 primary schools serving 13,177 pupils,
8 secondary schools serving 8198 pupils,
3 alternative schools serving 125 pupils,
2 Further Education Colleges serving 6500 pupils.

South Tees

The Link CIC provide the service for the MHST in the South Tees area for the financial year 2023/24.

The MHST team in South Tees currently has the following workforce:

- 1.5 Service Managers
- 1.0 Admin
- 20.0 Clinical Staff

The number of primary schools, secondary schools, further education colleges, and other settings with the approximate number of pupils The Link CIC serves is as following:

46 primary schools serving 15,499 pupils,
13 secondary schools serving 12,209 pupils,
1 alternative school serving 68 pupils.

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

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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

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