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By Email

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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 09 March 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**

**Please could I ask for the following information from NHS NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA INTEGRATED CARE BOARD?**

- **1. Total number of *Children's Continuing Care* cases at the time of this request (Feb/Mar 2023) or most recent figures (Q3 2023/24). Please could you state with response the date the figures relate to.**
- **2. Total number of *Children's Continuing Care* cases in the last financial year (2022/23)**
- **3. Total spend for *Childrens Continuing Care* cases in the last financial year (2022/23)**

**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.*

**County Durham place**

1. Q3 - 46
2. 64
3. £3.3 million

Newcastle Gateshead place

1. Q3 – 65
2. 68
3. Newcastle £4 million, Gateshead £3.2 million

North Cumbria place

1. At end of March 2023 - 23
2. 25
3. £1,503,124 - based on expected cost of packages in place.

North Tyneside place

1. Q3 – 28
2. 28
3. £1,197,000

Northumberland place

1. 24 (Feb 24)
2. 21
3. £1,494,000

South Tyneside place

1. Q3 - 14
2. 10
3. This information is not held by the ICB but may be held by the Local Authority, South Tyneside Council so we suggest you redirect this part of your request to them via [foi@southtyneside.gov.uk](mailto:foi@southtyneside.gov.uk)

Sunderland place

1. Q3 – 11
2. 68
3. This information is not held by the ICB but may be held by the Local Authority, Sunderland City Council so we suggest you redirect this part of your request to them via [freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:freedom.information@sunderland.gov.uk)

Tees Valley place

1. Q3 – 46
2. 66
3. £8.4 million

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  
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[www.ico.org.uk](http://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](http://www.legislation.gov.uk) . This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

*Paul Atkinson*

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**Information Governance Officer**