

Our Reference North East and North Cumbria ICB\  
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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 27 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**

I write to ask who is responsible for Elderly Care in Carlisle.

As I have been unable to find this information easily; under the Freedom of Information Act, please could you provide me with the name and contact details of the person who is responsible for Elderly Care in Carlisle.

**You further clarified your response as below.**

The request was quite straightforward and specific as below;

**Please could you provide me with the name and contact details of the person who is responsible for Elderly Care in Carlisle.**

I would like to know who is the individual executive employee, is responsible for the NHS services to the elderly in Carlisle.

If there is no individual charged with overseeing the provision of services to the elderly in Carlisle, the answer would be no one is responsible. Alternatively, you might look at your organisational structure and conclude that a certain individual has within their job description responsibility for the care of the elderly in Carlisle.

If there isn't one individual but the responsibility is spread across the portfolios of several individual executives, then please under the Freedom of Information Act could you let me know who.

### Our Response

*We can confirm, as per Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB does hold the information requested.*

*There is no one person responsible for elderly care in Carlisle. Responsibility is shared among many individuals depending on the setting e.g. residential care, nursing homes, GPs, Dentists, Pharmacists, Integrated Care Community, North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS FT, Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear NHS FT, Local Authorities etc. Not only are responsibilities separated within the ICB organisation they are also shared across organisations in the health and social care system. To provide you with any more detail in respect of NENC ICB we would need more specific context of which part of elderly care in Carlisle you are referring to.*

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

[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**