



# North East and North Cumbria

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Applicant  
By Email

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 12 January 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).

### **Details of Request**

Please provide further information in relation to the purchasing of the following eyecare procedure with the following HRG code:

**BZ34A Phacoemulsification Cataract Extraction and Lens Implant, with CC Score 4+**

Please could you provide us with the following information in relation to this HRG code:

- 1) The names of the providers which delivered HRG procedure BZ34A for the ICB or predecessor bodies for each of the following financial years:

2017/18; 2018/19; 2019/2020; 2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/23

- 2) The number of procedures coded as BZ34A which were delivered by each of the named providers for each of the following financial years:

2017/18; 2018/19; 2019/2020; 2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/23

- 3) The expenditure by the ICB (or predecessor body) on the delivery of the procedures coded as BZ34A for each of the named providers for each of the following financial years:

2017/18; 2018/19; 2019/2020; 2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/23

It would be very helpful if you could provide your response in a table along the following lines:

	2017/18	2018/19	2019/2020	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Provider Name [xxxx]						
Number of BZ34A procedures undertaken						
Expenditure on BZ34A procedures						
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Provider Name [xxxx]						
Number of BZ34A procedures undertaken						
Expenditure on BZ34A procedures						

## **Response**

Please find attached.



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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  
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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

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