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Dear Requestor

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 8 September 2025, regarding adult diabetes service. We have processed your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under the FOIA, public authorities like ours are required to respond to requests for information within 20 working days. In response to your request, I can confirm that we partially hold the information requested. However, please note that some / all of the information you requested has been withheld. Under the FOIA, certain exemptions may apply to protect sensitive information.

Details of your request:

1. Please provide a list of all providers the ICB holds contracts with for adult diabetes mellitus services (covering any form of diabetes mellitus)
 - Please include both statutory NHS and Independent Sector providers.
 - Please include any broader services that include a Diabetes element (for example a broader endocrinology service, or a community service that covers diabetes care).
2. For each contracted provider listed in the answer to #1, please provide the following schedules as included in the contract the ICB holds:
 - Schedule 2A or equivalent: Service Specification that describes the service (whether standalone or integrated in a broader Service Specification).
 - Schedule 3A, 3B or 3C or equivalents: Describing national currencies and any local prices that apply to the services.

Our response to your request:

Please see attached [Service Specifications \(attachments A-I\)](#) relating to the following:

Providers	Schedule 2A or equivalent	Schedule 3A, 3B or 3C or equivalents
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)- <i>Community DSN Service, Foot Protection Team, DESMOND, X-Pert.</i>	A. South Notts Integrated Community	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)	B. Structured Education Programme Diabetes (Bassetlaw)	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)	C. (NHT) Structured Education Programme Diabetes (Mid Notts)	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)	D. (NHT) Structured Education Programme Diabetes (South Notts)	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)	E. (NHT) Super Six Diabetes Service (Bassetlaw)	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT)	F. (NHT) Community Diabetes Service (Mid Notts)	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
City Care (CC) – <i>Integrated Community DSN Service, DESMOND</i>	G. (CC) Sub Spec C Long Term Conditions Case Management	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust (NUH)	H. (NUH) Provision of Insulin Pumps and Consumables (REDACTED)*	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust (NUH)	I. (NUH) Type 1 Diabetes (REDACTED)*	Exemption **Section 43 (2)
Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (SFH)	No Service Specification exists	Not applicable
Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (DBTH)	NNICB does not hold this information. The lead commissioner is South Yorkshire ICB - Contact us: South Yorkshire ICB	Not applicable

*Two Service Specifications have been REDACTED where the names and email addresses of the individuals appear as this information is personal information/ third party personal information. This information is exempt under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

As defined by the Data Protection Act, personal data constitutes as:

“Personal data” means any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual.

“Identifiable living individual” means a living individual who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to -

- (a) an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data or an online identifier, or
- (b) one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of the individual.

****Section 43 (2)**

The ICB is unable to share this information as it is deemed commercially sensitive under Section 43 (2) of the Act.

Section 43 of the Act states that:

- (1) Information is exempt information if it constitutes a trade secret.*
- (2) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).*
- (3) The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would, or would be likely to, prejudice the interests mentioned in subsection (2).*

A **public interest test** has been undertaken in response to your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) sets out public interest factors in favour of and against disclosure. Some of the factors in favour were as follows:

- Ensuring that the public authority can be held accountable for its decisions, particularly as to how it spends public money.
- Ensuring that a tender process is open and transparent.
- Providing insight into the nature of a procurement process and winning bids, so that other companies are encouraged to take part in the process and improve future bids.

Public interest factors against disclosure (and in favour of the maintenance of an exemption) included:

- There is an inherent public interest in the maintenance of the exemption, and of upholding private companies' expectations that commercially confidential information will be protected from disclosure when they engage in public authority tenders.
- Avoiding the discouragement of prospective tenderers from tendering for public sector contracts, for fear of disclosure of their commercially sensitive information to competitors, and that this may adversely affect both the quality of tenders for public sector contracts, and public authorities' ability to negotiate them effectively.
- Maintaining a competitive market and driving competition as this benefits public authorities and consumers, and which could be threatened by disclosure of companies' commercial information.

On balance of the factors considered above, along with relevant case law, we considered that the ICB would be entitled to withhold Schedule 3A, 3B or 3C or equivalents and that this would not be superseded by public interest considerations.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Director of Corporate Affairs via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to FOI Team at NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>.

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to:

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern via <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information (FOI) Officer on behalf of NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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