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Dear Requestor

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information, received on 30 January 2025, regarding nicotine pouch use. 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 do not hold the information requested.

Please find below our response to your request:

- 1.a) Details of any public health campaigns, education programs, or policy discussions related to the use of nicotine pouches in your region.
- b) Any internal assessments, concerns, or minutes from meetings where nicotine pouch-related health risks were discussed.
- c) Any studies or reports commissioned by your ICB into the health effects of nicotine pouch use.

The ICB does not hold this information.

You may wish to contact Public Health Teams within Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham City Council, and how to submit a Freedom of Information request to each provider can be found on their websites linked below.

Nottinghamshire County Council – <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/freedom-of-information/submit>

Nottingham City Council – <https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/your-council/about-the-council/access-to-information/information-request/>

2. Any data on hospital admissions, A&E visits, or GP consultations where nicotine pouches were recorded as a contributing factor, since 2019, disaggregated by year. If available, please include ICD-10 codes or other classification methods used.

The ICB does not hold this information.

The data held does not specifically identify Nicotine Pouches as a contributing factor to a hospitalisation or ED attendance.

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](mailto: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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