Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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Dear Requestor

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 17 March 2025, regarding wheelchair services. 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.

Details of your request:

Please provide the following information separately for each of the wheelchair services in your area. This data is 'essential' or 'basic' information relating to each referral and should be easily extracted from the relevant Case Management System, Electronic Patient Record, or similar. Please feel free to provide the data in alternative formats, e.g. an Excel spreadsheet, if appropriate.

1a) How many open referrals does the service have for ADULTS?

1b) Of those open referrals, how many have been open for LESS than 18 weeks?

1c) Of those open referrals, how many have open for MORE than 18 weeks?

1d) Of those open referrals, how many have been open for MORE than 52 weeks?

1e) Of those open referrals, how many are 'low need' (per NHS Wheelchair Data Collection definition)?

1f) Of those open referrals, how many are 'medium need'?

1g) Of those open referrals, how many are 'high need'?

1h) Of those open referrals, how many are 'specialist need'?

1i) Of those open referrals, how many are for powered wheelchairs?

2a) How many open referrals does the service have for CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE?

2b) Of those open referrals, how many have been open for LESS than 18 weeks?

2c) Of those open referrals, how many have open for MORE than 18 weeks?

2d) Of those open referrals, how many have been open for MORE than 52 weeks?

2e) Of those open referrals, how many are 'low need' (per NHS Wheelchair Data Collection definition)?

2f) Of those open referrals, how many are 'medium need'?

2g) Of those open referrals, how many are 'high need'?

2h) Of those open referrals, how many are 'specialist need'?

2i) Of those open referrals, how many are for powered wheelchairs?

Our response to your request:

The ICB does not hold this information. NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB is a commissioner of health services; it does not provide services and, as such, does not have patients. You may wish to contact individual providers to request this and how to submit a Freedom of Information request to each provider can be found on their websites linked below.

- Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust - https://www.nuh.nhs.uk/freedom-of-information
- Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust - https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/about-us/contact-us/freedom-of-information-act-access-information-from-a-public-body/
- Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust - https://www.dbth.nhs.uk/contact/freedom-of-information/
- Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust - https://www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/c-freedom-of-information

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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