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Dear Requestor

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information, received on 13 October 2025, regarding funding allocated to Newgate Medical Group. 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 hold the information requested.

**Please find below our response to your request:**

I would like to request information regarding funding allocated for pay increases for staff employed under the Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (ARRS) within Bassetlaw GP practices for the 2025/2026 financial year.

Please provide the following information:

1. Confirmation of whether the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has received, been allocated, or held any funding designated to support or enable pay rises for ARRS staff in Bassetlaw during the 2025/2026 financial year.

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB has received funding in 2025/26 for the Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (ARRS) which includes elements in relation to the nationally agreed pay awards.

2. If such funding has been received, the total amount allocated for this purpose and a breakdown by Primary Care Network (PCN) or GP practice within Bassetlaw.

The ICB does not hold information on the values allocated in relation to pay awards.

The initial funding received by the ICB for 2025/26 did not separately identify the total funding for ARRS or the amount included within that in relation to the 2.8% pay award expected at that time. This was part of the Primary Medical Care allocation, details of which can be found at <https://www.england.nhs.uk/allocations/>.

An additional allocation was received by the ICB in-year in relation to the difference between the nationally agreed pay awards and the 2.8% originally assumed. The relevant guidance issued by NHS England can be found at <https://www.england.nhs.uk/long-read/financial-implications-and-actions-for-integrated-care-boards-icbs-following-the-mid-year-updates-to-the-2025-26-gp-contract/>.

3. Details of how this funding was distributed – for example, whether it was passed on to PCNs or GP practices or retained by the ICB for administrative or support functions.

All PCNs within Nottingham and Nottinghamshire have been notified of the total maximum value up to which they can claim reimbursement of costs incurred under the ARRS scheme in 2025/26, as directed in the Network Contract Directed Enhanced Service. Details of which can be found at <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/PRN02067v-network-contract-des-contract-specification-2526-pcn-requirements-and-entitlements.pdf>. These maximum values include the original expected 2.8% pay award and were increased in-year to take account of the additional pay award agreements.

4. Specifically, confirmation of whether Newgate Medical Group (Bassetlaw) received any portion of this funding, and if so, the exact amount and purpose for which it was allocated.

As detailed in the response to Question 3 above, the Newgate PCN (of which Newgate Medical Group is a member practice) has been notified of the total maximum value up to which they can claim reimbursement of ARRS costs, inclusive of any values allocated to the ICB for nationally agreed pay awards. An analysis of this value is not available to identify any element relating to pay awards.

5. If no such funding was received or distributed, please confirm this and provide any relevant correspondence or guidance received from NHS England or the Department of Health and Social Care regarding ARRS pay for 2025/2026.

Not applicable.

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 [nnicb-nn.foi@nhs.net](mailto:nnicb-nn.foi@nhs.net)

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