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Mr C Banks  
Email only

29 March 2019

Dear Mr Banks

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information**

Thank you for your request for information received on 4 March 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding third party contracts. Specifically you requested information as follows:

***I am writing to make an open government request for all of the information, to which I am entitled to request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Can you please provide a table that breaks down the following?***

***1 Please confirm the number of NHS third party Contracts within the North East of England for disabled adult social care which are awarded to community interest companies (CIC), private companies and charities, who employ 20 people or more?***

***2 What is the percentage of third party; NHS contracts for disabled adult social care awarded by North East of England based NHS Trusts to companies, community interest companies and charities between financial year 2017/2018?***

***3 What percentage of disabled adult social care is delivered in house by the NHS and by third party contractors?***

***4 What is the most effective means of ensuring prompt payment of undisputed North East NHS invoices?***

**County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust replies:**

The Trust is not the commissioners of these services. The Local Authority Public Health Teams should be the first point of contact for this information. If you wish to contact them in accordance with Section 16 of the Act (duty to provide advice and assistance) you can contact them via the following link:

[www.darlington.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/public-health](http://www.darlington.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/public-health)

The request would need to be redirected to commissioners:

NHS Darlington CCG  
NHS Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgefield CCG  
NHS Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby CCG  
NHS Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees CCG  
NHS Newcastle Gateshead CCG  
NHS North Durham CCG  
NHS North Tyneside CCG  
NHS Northumberland CCG  
NHS South Tees CCG  
NHS South Tyneside CCG  
NHS Sunderland CCG

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 County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

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 way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive  
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust  
Darlington Memorial Hospital  
Hollyhurst Road  
Darlington  
DL3 6HX

If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113  
Website: [www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk).

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely



**Joanna Tyrrell**  
Freedom of Information Officer