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NHS Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Integrated Care Board's response to information request

Date request received: 27 August 2026
FOI ref: 108100
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Requested information

We are writing to seek access to the following information:

- Please confirm whether your ICB has any strategies or transformation programmes relevant to neurological services.
    - If so, please provide the relevant strategy documents.

- Please confirm the total number of children and adults with a known diagnosis of a neuromuscular condition within the population covered by your ICB.

- Please provide the total annual funding provided for neuromuscular care for the financial year 2025-26. If exact figures are not available, please provide an approximation based on the records you hold.

- Please provide the total annual funding provided for adults specialised neuroscience neurology (service code NCBPS08O) and specialist neuroscience services for children (service code NCBPS23M) for the past three financial years, or since their delegation from NHS England.

- Please confirm whether your organisation has held discussions about implementing the National Neurosciences Advisory Group's (NNAG) optimal clinical pathway for neuromuscular conditions, since its publication in September 2024.
    - If 'yes' to the above, please confirm whether your organisation is delivering the optimal pathway. If you are not delivering the optimal pathway, please outline reasons that prevent you from delivering it.
    - If 'no' to the above, please confirm whether your organisation plans to consider the implementation of the optimal clinical pathway for neuromuscular conditions. If not, please outline reasons that prevent you from implementing it.
    - Please supply any papers or discussion records about the NNAG optimal pathway for neuromuscular conditions.
    - Has your organisation discussed or received communications about the optimal clinical pathway with/from the former NHSE Specialised Commissioning team?

- Does every place in your ICB have a community neuro team?
    - If not, please provide a list of the places which do not.

- Can you confirm whether each of the community neuro teams in your ICB treats people with neuromuscular conditions? Please provide the referral criteria used by each team, including a list of conditions which are accepted/covered by the team.

- Please confirm whether your ICB includes people with lived experience of neurological conditions in decision-making about the commissioning of neurological services. If yes, please provide further details. If not, please outlines the barriers.

Clarification

In response to your points requiring clarification:

- "Therefore, looking at the inpatient data and basing labelling on the ICD10 codes, would get the number of people that have attended hospital that had that condition, not the number that have been diagnosed with it. We are unable to identify whether the patient visited hospital specifically because of a neuromuscular condition"
  Yes that's fine, if you could get the number of people that have attended hospital that had the condition, that would be fine, thank you. In addition, please also find attached the SNOMED CT code in case helpful.
- which time frame does the requester want this data over;
  If we could have data for the past four financial years, that would be wondeerful
- we would usually assume an adult as 18 and over – is this the same as the requester's definition?
  Yes, it is the same as our definition
- We are likely to be able to provide the cost of each of those hospital attendances as a total. However, again it will be for any reason of attendance, not neuromuscular specific.
  This would be brilliant if you could provide the cost

Response

We are writing to seek access to the following information:

1. Please confirm whether your ICB has any strategies or transformation programmes relevant to neurological services.
    - If so, please provide the relevant strategy documents.

None at present.

2. Please confirm the total number of children and adults with a known diagnosis of a neuromuscular condition within the population covered by your ICB.

Please see attached spreadsheet.

3. Please provide the total annual funding provided for neuromuscular care for the financial year 2025-26. If exact figures are not available, please provide an approximation based on the records you hold.

Please see attached spreadsheet. NHS Cornwall and Isles of Scilly ICB does not have access to funding information for these services, so we have provided the activity cost

data instead. As discussed in the clarification email the requester was happy for us to provide the cost information.

4. Please provide the total annual funding provided for adults specialised neuroscience neurology (service code NCBPS08O) and specialist neuroscience services for children (service code NCBPS23M) for the past three financial years, or since their delegation from NHS England.

Please see attached spreadsheet. NHS Cornwall and Isles of Scilly ICB does not have access to funding information for these services, so we have provided the activity cost data instead. As discussed in the clarification email the requester was happy for us to provide the cost information.

5. Please confirm whether your organisation has held discussions about implementing the National Neurosciences Advisory Group's (NNAG) optimal clinical pathway for neuromuscular conditions, since its publication in September 2024.
    a. If 'yes' to the above, please confirm whether your organisation is delivering the optimal pathway. If you are not delivering the optimal pathway, please outline reasons that prevent you from delivering it.
    b. If 'no' to the above, please confirm whether your organisation plans to consider the implementation of the optimal clinical pathway for neuromuscular conditions. If not, please outline reasons that prevent you from implementing it.
    c. Please supply any papers or discussion records about the NNAG optimal pathway for neuromuscular conditions.
    d. Has your organisation discussed or received communications about the optimal clinical pathway with/from the former NHSE Specialised Commissioning team?

No. This is not currently being considered.

6. Does every place in your ICB have a community neuro team?
    a. If not, please provide a list of the places which do not.

Yes, in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly the community neuro rehab team is commissioned to deliver services across the whole area for any person registered with a GP in the area.

7. Can you confirm whether each of the community neuro teams in your ICB treats people with neuromuscular conditions? Please provide the referral criteria used by each team, including a list of conditions which are accepted/covered by the team.

This is publicly available on the provider website: https://www.cornwallft.nhs.uk/neuro-rehabilitation-therapy-service

8. Please confirm whether your ICB includes people with lived experience of neurological conditions in decision-making about the commissioning of neurological services. If yes, please provide further details. If not, please outlines the barriers.

We have not had reason to engage with service users around decision making for neurological services, since we became an Integrated Care Board, but should we find a need to change the commissioning of these services we would look to engage with service users as part of this process.

Attachment(s)

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