

**Reference:** FOI.ICB-2324/092

**Subject:** ICB Contracts

*I can confirm that the ICB does hold the information requested; please see responses below:*

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>1. How many contracts has the ICB stopped or discontinued since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please give details of the changes, including service provision and date discontinued, and money allocated to the contract during its most recent financial year.</li></ul>	<p>Bristol Tranquiller Project. Decommissioned and will close on the 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 2023 Contract value is shown on the contract register (question 3) <a href="http://btpinfo.org.uk">Bristol Tranquilliser Project - Home (btpinfo.org.uk)</a></p> <p>Community Access Support Service Decommissioned – 31<sup>st</sup> Mar 2023 Contract value shown on the contract register (question 3) <a href="http://cassbristol.org">Home - Community Access Support Service (cassbristol.org)</a></p>
<p>2. How many contracts has the ICB procured or set up since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please give details of the changes, including service provision and date confirmed/established, and total funding allocated to each contract.</li></ul>	<p><a href="http://icb.nhs.uk/Procurement-Register-v1-2022.pdf">Procurement-Register-v1-2022.pdf (icb.nhs.uk)</a></p>

<p>3. How many contracts has the ICB got in place in total (most recent data available)?</p>	<p><a href="#">Clinical-Contracts-Register_March-23.pdf (icb.nhs.uk)</a></p>
<p>4. Has the ICB altered any thresholds for referrals for any of its services since taking over from CCGs (1 July 2022)?</p> <p>If yes, please give details of service and changes.</p>	<p>Changes to the criteria of some commissioning policies have been approved during this time. Most of these changes will broaden the scope of the patient cohort who could access treatment. These policies include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Female Breast Surgery.</li> <li>• Breast Reconstruction post Cancer.</li> <li>• Infertility Assessment &amp; Treatment</li> <li>• Fertility Preservation</li> <li>• Hair Removal (Including electrolysis and laser therapy, also covering complex pilonidal sinus disease and para stomal disease)</li> </ul> <p>The commissioning policy for Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) for Mild Obstructive Sleep Apnoea Hypopnea Syndrome (OSAHS) has been reviewed and reference to Significant Functional Impairment has been removed. This is not expected to limit the number of referrals for this intervention.</p> <p>Information regarding Breast Clinical Commissioning Policies can be found on the ICB website:</p> <p><a href="#">06.1-ICB-Clinical-Commissioning-Policies-Breast-ICB-Board-Mar-2023.pdf</a></p>

	<p>Information regarding Fertility Clinical Commissioning Policies can be found on the ICB website:</p> <p><a href="#">06.1-Clinical-Commissioning-Policies-ICB-Board-Dec-22.pdf</a></p> <p>Changes to the commissioning policy for Hair Removal mean that requests for funding will now be managed under a Prior Approval (PA) process. Previously an individual had to demonstrate clinical exceptionality for funding to be considered. However, it is recognised that there is a small cohort of patients with pilonidal and para stoma disease who could benefit from this treatment. Changes to the policy mean that, where an individual meets criteria for this issue, they can apply for funding without demonstrating clinical exceptionality. This will enable patients to get the treatment they require closer to the point of need.</p> <p>More information regarding Clinical Commissioning Policies can be found on the ICB website: <a href="#">Commissioning Policy Development - NHS BNSSG ICB</a></p>
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***The information provided in this response is accurate as of 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 and has been approved for release by Sarah Truelove, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.***