

Reference: FOI.ICB-2526/410

Subject: Policies for Quality Assurance of Assessments for EHCPs (Education, Health and Care Plan)

I can confirm that the ICB does not hold the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>Under the transparency requirements of the SEND Code of Practice (9.31) and the NHS England SEND Quality Assurance Framework, I am requesting a copy of the current Quality Assurance Policy and any internal guidance or templates provided to health clinicians regarding the drafting of health advice for EHC assessments. This includes any policies or guidance for the purposes of reviewing provision for consistency, adequacy or equitability.</p>	<p>The ICB does not hold this information. We advise you to contact the provider Sirona care & health CiC directly, as follows: https://sirona-cic.org.uk/contact-sirona/</p> <p>The Local Authority may also hold some information, and they can be contacted as follows:</p> <p>Bristol City Council - https://www.bristol.gov.uk/data-protection-foi/freedom-of-information-foi</p> <p>North Somerset Council - https://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/council-democracy/data-protection-freedom-information/freedom-information/about-freedom-information-foi</p> <p>South Gloucestershire Council - https://www.southglos.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/data-protection-and-freedom-of-information/making-a-freedom-of-information-request/</p>

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 19 February 2026 and has been approved for release by Denise Moorhouse, Director of Nursing/Deputy Chief Nurse for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.