

Reference: FOI.ICB-2627/071

Subject: Headache or Migraine Services

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding neurology services commissioned by your ICB, with a particular focus on headache and migraine pathways.</p>	
<p>1. Neurology commissioning and service structure</p> <p>Please provide details of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Any neurology strategy, service specification, or commissioning plan your ICB holds that covers headache or migraine services, including the title of the document and the date it was last reviewed or updated. b) Whether your ICB commissions a dedicated headache or migraine clinic or pathway, and if so, the name of the service and the provider(s) involved. c) Whether your ICB participates in, or has established, any neurology network, migraine service network, or specialist neurology hub — either within your ICS footprint or across a broader regional footprint. For each, please provide: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The ICB does not have a neurology strategy or commissioning plan specific to neurology services. b) There is a dedicated migraine clinic as part of the neurology service provided at North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT). Information, including referral criteria can be found here: https://remedy.bnssg.icb.nhs.uk/adults/neurology/headache/adults/ c) The ICB does not participate in a neurology network, migraine service network, or specialist neurology hub.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The name of the network, hub, or group ii. Its purpose or remit (a brief description or terms of reference if held) iii. How frequently it meets iv. The name, job title, and contact email address of the lead or chair (if held) 	
<p>2. Responsible commissioners and leads</p> <p>So that I may direct any follow-up correspondence appropriately, I would be grateful if you could provide the name, job title, and contact email address (if held) for the following roles, or the nearest equivalent where a role is held under a different title:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Clinical lead for neurology b) Planned care lead (or elective care lead / planned care programme director) c) Long-term conditions lead (if applicable) d) Medicines optimisation or medicines management lead e) Chief pharmacist or deputy chief pharmacist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The ICB does not have this role within its structure b) Head of Elective Care c) Head of Integrated Care d) Chief Pharmacist and Director of Medicines Optimisation e) Chief Pharmacist and Director of Medicines Optimisation <p>If you wish to contact the above departments/leads, please use the following contact details stating which department/lead you require. bnssg.customerservice@nhs.net Tel: 0117 900 2655 or 0800 073 0907 (freephone)</p>

The information provided in this response is accurate as of 21 May 2026 and has been approved for release by Helena Fuller, Deputy Director of Business, Strategy and Planning for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.