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Request:

Please provide the following information under Freedom of Information.

On 1st February 2019 who provided/employed the health visitors commissioned by your local authority?

North Tyneside Council

On 1st February 2019 how many whole time equivalent health visitors were employed by that organisation?

34.89WTE

On 1st February 2019, how many children under-5 years of age are there in your local authority area?

11,439

Are there any plans to review/change who provides health visitors in your local authority area? If there are, what timeline is being used to make these decisions?

NO

Who is the responsible manager for the health visiting service. Please also provide their email address.

Wendy Burke, Director of Public Health contact should be made via the following link <https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/308/contact-council>

NB:For your answers, please either use the NHS Digital definition of health visitor or alternatively provide the definition that you are using in your answer.

If you are unable to provide data for 1st February 2019, please provide it for the nearest available date and advise what this date is.

Definition used by NHS Digital re. Health visitors (notes 28 and 29 from the nursing, midwifery and health visiting staff matrix of Occupation Code Manual)

Please ensure to code the following as Health Visitors:

qualified nurses/midwives who also hold a qualification as a Registered Health Visitor under the Specialist Community Public Health Nursing part of the NMC Register working directly with children and families;

qualified and registered Health Visitors who perform specific activities such as providing breastfeeding advice to parents;

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family nurses working within the Family Nurse Partnership Programme who are qualified and registered as Health Visitors;
Sure Start Children's Centre qualified and registered named Health Visitors;
managers within a Health visiting team who hold a health visiting qualification and registration and are involved in clinical work or safeguarding.

Please ensure that the following employees are not coded as Health Visitors:

any person working in a health visiting team who does not hold a qualification and registration as a Health Visitor;
any person who holds a qualification and registration as a Health Visitor but is not employed in a role where this is a requirement;
managers within a health visiting team who hold health visiting qualification and registration but are not involved in clinical work or safeguarding.
Please see below the general definition for 'health visitor' from the Occupation Code Manual:

Health Visitor: An employee who holds a qualification as a Registered Health Visitor under the Specialist Community Public Health Nursing part of the NMC Register and who occupies a post where such a qualification is a requirement. Not below Agenda for Change Band 6.