



**East Suffolk and  
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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Dear Zillah,

**Ref. Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARC) Agreement**

East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust (ESNEFT) hereby give formal notice in respect of the termination of the SARC agreement between ESNEFT and Commissioner of the Service NHS England Health and Justice. The six month notice period required under the agreement commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 (when notification of the cessation was sent to NHS England Health & Justice) and will end on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

However, as you are aware ESNEFT is unable to provide this service at this time due to the loss of the qualified trained staff who have been providing the service to date and the inability of ESNEFT to source alternative suitably qualified and trained staff in this specialised area. It is unlikely that ESNEFT will therefore be able to provide this service during the notice period.

Should you wish to discuss this further please contact Samantha Burrows, General Manager for Children's Services copied into this email.

Yours Sincerely

John Hartley  
Commissioning and Contracting Manager