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Freedom of Information request 5-17

Request

How much did your board spend sending patients out of the NHS board area for treatment, in the year 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 (including other health boards in Scotland and the UK, and the private sector).

Response

Please find below data as per request:

	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Out of Area - NHS Spend	£28,663,929	£28,469,506	£30,048,509
Out of Area - Private Sector spend	£904,430	£809,712	£397,797
Total	£29,568,359	£29,279,218	£30,446,306

The information detailed in this FOI response excludes long term placements for Learning Disability Clients as these placements are deemed as being the client's home.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or <u>foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk</u>.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **5-17** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.