

## Freedom of Information request 208-17

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### Request

I request the following information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

1. How many patients have been diagnosed with Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD) in the NHS Borders area in each of the last three financial years, i.e. 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16 ?
2. What is the current Waiting Time within NHS Borders for accessing Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (DBT) for patients diagnosed with BPD?
3. Has NHS Borders developed and implemented an Integrated Care Pathway for patients diagnosed with BPD? If so, please supply me with a copy of this ICP.

### Response

1. Please find below the number of patients recorded on our electronic system with the diagnosis of 'Borderline Personality Disorder' in the years requested:

2013/14 – 9  
2014/15 - <5  
2015/16 – 0

2. NHS Borders do not record diagnosis as part of our waiting times data, therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 we do not hold this data.
3. NHS Borders are currently in the process of developing an ICP but this is not complete therefore we are unable to provide a copy at this point in time.

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 [foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk).

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 **208-17** 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.