

Freedom of Information request 271-17

Request

Following on from my previous Freedom of Information request under the same act please could you provide answers to the following questions?

- 1) In the response to the previous FOI you have stated in the financial year 2015/16 NHS Borders spent £27,230 on viscosupplementation in Secondary Care – Please could you breakdown how much was spent in each hospital in the trust on viscosupplementation and which departments that usage came from ?
- 2) In the response to the previous FOI you have stated in the financial year 2016/17 NHS Borders spent £29,889 on viscosupplementation in Secondary Care – Please could you breakdown how much was spent in each hospital in the trust on viscosupplementation and which departments that usage came from ?
- 3) In the response to the previous FOI you have stated the products used for viscosupplementation in NHS Borders are Microvisc, BBT Visc, Cystisat, Durolane, iAluril – Please could you break down how much of each product was used in each hospital in 2015/16 and 2016/17 in £

Response

All spend on viscosupplementation in secondary care was in relation to the Borders General Hospital, Melrose.

| | 2015/16 | 2016/17 |
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| Microvisc | Theatre DPU Opthamology £3120 | Theatre DPU Opthamology £312 |
| BBT Visc | Theatre DPU Opthamology £9329 | Theatre DPU Opthamology £12,768 |
| Cystisat | Urology £917 | Urology £1070 |
| Durolane | Orthopaedics £448 | Orthopaedics £641 |
| iAluril | Urology £12,250 | Urology £12,778 |

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.

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 **271-17** 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.

