

Freedom of Information request 412-17

Request

I wish to obtain the following:

1. Which facilities within the health board area have provided in-patient mental health services, including residential and secure units, between 2011 and 2017, both dates inclusive?
2. Between 2011 and 2017, both dates inclusive, how many seizures of psychoactive substances have taken place at facilities specified in question 1? Please specify how many seizures took place at each facility.
3. Between 2011 and 2017, both dates inclusive, how many assaults on staff have taken place at facilities specified in question 1? Please specify how many assaults took place at each facility.
4. Between 2011 and 2017, both dates inclusive, how many assaults on staff have taken place, in which psychoactive substances have been deemed to be a factor in the incident? Please specify how many incidents have taken place at each facility.

Response

1. The facilities within NHS Borders which provide in-patient mental health services are Huntlyburn, East Brig, Lindean, Cauldshiels and Melburn Lodge.
2. This information is not held electronically but may be held in a patient's notes but this would require a manual trawl of all records. The cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 and therefore under Section 12 of the FOI(S)A 2002 we cannot provide.
3. Assaults on staff within Mental Health in-patients units: there are no secure units.

<i>Physical Assaults on Staff by Patients</i>	Apr 11 - Dec 11	Jan 12 - Dec 12	Jan 13 - Dec 13	Jan 14 - Dec 14	Jan 15 - Dec 15	Jan 16 - Dec 16	Jan 17 - 21 Aug 17
Cauldshiels-older adults	25	53	28	23	17	66	23
East Brig-rehabilitation	<5	9	8	5	16	20	5
Huntlyburn-acute assessment	7	<5	<5	19	<5	5	<5
Lindean-older adults	0	23	<5	0	7	6	<5
Melburn Lodge-older adults	73	88	71	68	99	45	28
Total	106	177	113	115	141	142	58

Current event reporting system commenced April 2011.

4. There has been no assault on a member of staff in which psychoactive substances have been deemed to be a factor recorded within NHS Borders.

As the number of events in some areas are very small and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics any number that is less than five, actual numbers and potentially identifiable information is withheld to help maintain patient confidentiality due to potential risk of disclosure. Further information is available in the [ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol](#).

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 **412-17** 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.