

Freedom of Information request 416-17

Request

My name is Dr Helen Kimber and I am writing to request information on the research projects funded by the Chief Scientist Office (CSO). Specifically I am looking for a comparison between the spending on research into young peoples (under the age of 25) mental health conditions compared to physical health conditions. If this number is not available the cost and subject of individual studies would also be helpful. Data for as many years as you would be helpful.

Response

There are no current active or proposed studies funded by the CSO with this specific age group in mental health.

There is 1 study with physical health condition (Diabetes) currently active in NHS Borders. This is not an NHS Borders led study, but we are a site along with a few other health boards. The cost of the specific project is unknown. It is part of a programme of studies which the CSO has funded since 2014. The overall grant was for £195,135. NHS Borders participated in the 2015 project from the same grant funding - again not led by NHS Borders.

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 **416-17** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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