

## Freedom of Information request 426-17

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### Request

1. Names of Consultant Psychiatrists employed by NHS Borders.
2. Any specialism of each consultant, for example please state if the consultant has expertise in forensic, learning disability, elderly or adolescent psychiatry.
3. Hospital where each consultant is based and the consultant's contact details (either email address or secretary's telephone number).

### Response

1. Please find below a list of Consultant Psychiatrists employed by NHS Borders:

Dr Bindhu Abraham, (General Adult)  
Dr Rush Ashman (Child & Adolescent)  
Dr Joanna Bredski (Rehabilitation)  
Dr Ashley Cameron (Child & Adolescent)  
Dr Amanda Cotton (General Adult & Associate Medical Director Mental Health; Perinatal lead)  
Dr Derek Dickson (General Adult; ECT lead)  
Dr Mark Hughes (LD)  
Dr Jon Patrick (Forensic)  
Dr Cliff Sharp (General Adult)  
Dr Joanna Smith (Crisis & Liaison; ED lead)  
Dr Jess Sussmann (Rehabilitation & General Adult)  
Dr Ingrid Swan (Old Age)  
Dr Amanda Taffinder (Old Age)  
Dr Sibel Turhan (General Adult)

2. Please find a link to the GMC website which provides details on consultant specialities. Therefore under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere:  
[http://www.gmc-uk.org/doctors/register/information\\_on\\_the\\_specialist\\_register.asp](http://www.gmc-uk.org/doctors/register/information_on_the_specialist_register.asp)
3. Please find a link to the NHS Borders public website which provides details of all mental health units and their contact details. Therefore under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere:  
<http://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/local-services-directory?cat=5&lat=55.5964521&lon=-2.740281399999958#local-services-directory?page=1&cat=5&lat=55.5954785&lon=-2.741940800000066>

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 **426-17** 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.