

Freedom of Information request 427-17

Request

I am asking all Scottish health boards the following questions and wonder if you could tell me:

- 1) Has your health board used mobile theatres at any time during the last five financial years?
- 2) If so, which firms has it sourced them from?
- 3) How many patients have been treated this way?
- 4) Which kinds of surgery have they been used to carry out?
- 5) How much has use of the theatres cost?
- 6) Are the mobile theatres stationed at any hospitals constantly or are they used on an as and when basis?
- 7) If the board has not used the theatres, is their use being considered for the future?

If the board has used mobile theatres, could you possibly provide a line on why they are necessary and whether their continuing use looks likely?

Response

NHS Borders have not used a mobile theatre in the last 5 financial years.

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 **427-17** 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.