

Freedom of Information request 232-18

Request

I have a Freedom of Information request, within your Organisation in the last 3 months – latest that you have available;

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Adjuvant Melanoma

In the past three months how many patients were seen who had stage III resectable melanoma ?

Of all stage III patients seen, how many received a complete resection ?

Of all stage III patients seen, how many were stage III a ?

Clarification Received:

“Other active systemic anti-cancer therapy” is in keeping with immunotherapy systemic anti-cancer therapy
“Palliative care only” refers to symptom control with non-cancer drugs

Response

Within NHS Borders the Chemocare reporting system does not provide the level of detail requested. Please find below the number of patients treated with the diagnosis metastatic/ advanced NSCLC but not whether they were squamous or non squamous:

Atezolizumab - 0 patients
Pembrolizumab - <5 patients
Nivolumab - 6 patients
Other chemo regimens - 7 patients

NHS Borders do not treat patients with Adjuvant Melanoma locally, these patients are referred for treatment to NHS Lothian, therefore under Section 17 this data is not held.

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 **232-18** 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.