

Freedom of Information request 290-18

Request

Can you please provide me with all the information your health board holds relating to the total amount of money paid to the organisation the Institute for Healthcare Improvement by your health board since the inception of the first engagement of their services by the Scottish Government in August 2007 (see below) up until the present day.

Can you please provide these figures in total and also as year by year annual amounts.

Can you also please provide a record of any monies paid to individual representatives of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement by your health board during the time period I have stipulated.

According to Health Improvement Scotland's online i-Hub (<https://ihub.scot/spsp10/the-story-of-spsp/>); 'In August 2007, the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) was contracted as a technical partner for SPSP bringing their knowledge of improvement science together with experience from a broad range of international improvement programmes. The planning and pre-work for a national programme started right away. IHI's expertise was key at this stage – whilst the work came from the Scottish system, IHI was able to provide full support from developing the aims and working with local teams to establish the collaborative.

Response

NHS Borders has made one payment to the Institute of Healthcare Improvement in March 2017 for the amount of £880.92.

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 **290-18** 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.