

Planning & Performance

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Freedom of Information request 491-18

Request & Response

Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Services

- 1. What is your NHS organisation's catchment population? 110,000
- 2. Does your organisation provide healthcare services for people diagnosed with MND? -

NHS Borders provide healthcare services ie physio, dietetics, SLT, palliative care, OT and have access to MND CNS support also.

- 3. If no, where do patients with MND in your catchment population access healthcare services? If your organisation does not provide healthcare services for people diagnosed with MND, please go to question 15.
- 4. If yes, what is your NHS organisation's catchment population for MND services (if different to Q1)?

Same as Q1

- 5. How many newly diagnosed patients with MND were referred to the organisation in each of the last three years?
- a. 2017 8
- b. 2016 6
- c. 2015 **<5**
- 6. What is the total number of patients with MND that are currently receiving healthcare from your organisation? **14 patients**
- 7. Is your organisation a specialist care centre for MND? No
- 8. In your organisation, where do patients with MND access services e.g. hospital inpatient services, hospital outpatient services, community clinics, domiciliary visits? **All of the above**
- 9. In your organisation, are patients with MND seen in specialist clinics? Yes
- 10. If yes,
- a. Where are the MND specialist clinics in your organisation held? **Outpatient Department, Borders General Hospital**
- b. How often are the MND specialist clinics in your organisation held? 3 monthly
- c. How often are patients routinely reviewed in the MND specialist clinics? 3 monthly

MND healthcare team

- 11. Who leads the MND services in your organisation (job title)? Consultant Neurologist
- 12. In your organisation, which jobs (f.t.e) are specifically funded to provide healthcare for people with MND, e.g. MND clinical lead, MND specialist nurse, MND specialist dietitian? **2 MND Clinical Nurse Specialists** (CNS)

- 13. Is there a multidisciplinary team (MDT) that provides care to patients with MND in your organisation? Yes Consultant Neurologist and MND CNS. All other care accessed is via general MDT's
- 14. If yes, which professional roles are members of the MDT? As above

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