

## Freedom of Information request 528-18

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### Request

Please provide the following information by answering each of the numbered questions individually.

Autologous Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation (AH SCT) for Multiple Sclerosis (MS)

1. How many Neurology patients have been referred to:
  - a) the M.I.S.T trial for AH SCT for Multiple Sclerosis at NHS Sheffield from when the trial started and up to October 2018?
  - b) HSCT treatment for MS at the London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group to October 2018?
2. How many Neurology patients have been accepted to:
  - a) the M.I.S.T trial for AH SCT for Multiple Sclerosis at NHS Sheffield from when the trial started and up to October 2018?
  - b) HSCT treatment for MS at the London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group to October 2018?
3. How many Neurology patients have been treated through:
  - a) the M.I.S.T trial for AH SCT for Multiple Sclerosis at NHS Sheffield from when the trial started and up to October 2018?
  - b) HSCT treatment for MS at the London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group to October 2018?
4. Is there a specific Neurology department referral protocol for patients from Scotland to be referred to:
  - a) the M.I.S.T trial NHS Sheffield? If yes, please forward a copy.
  - b) HSCT treatment for MS at the London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group? If yes, please forward a copy.

Further information –

MIST at NHS Sheffield

<<https://www.sth.nhs.uk/autologous-haematopoietic-stem-cell-transplantation-for-multiple-sclerosis/>>

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London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group

<<https://multiple-sclerosis-research.blogspot.com/2016/01/london-ms-ahsct-collaborative-group.html>>

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### Response

NHS Borders have not referred any patient to either the MIST trial or the London MS-AH SCT Collaborative Group. There is no specific referral protocol for patients from Scotland to be referred to either of these.

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 **528-18** 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.