

## Freedom of Information request 560-18

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### Request

- 1) We understand the CCG/Trust has representation on the following medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees:
  - a. NHS Borders Area Drugs and Therapeutic Committee
  - b. NHS Borders Formulary CommitteePlease confirm if this is correct.
- 2) Does the CCG/Trust have representation on any other medicines management / prescribing / formulary committees? If so, please advise which.
- 3) We have the following formularies listed as used by the CCG/Trust:
  - c. NHS Borders Joint Prescribing FormularyPlease confirm if this is correct and if not, please provide a link/copy of relevant formularies.
- 4) Are any of the above formularies dominant when making prescribing decisions or does this depend on therapy area?

### Response

1. NHS Borders does have representation on both of the named committees.
2. NHS Borders Director of Pharmacy is a member of the NHS Lothian Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee.  
NHS Borders Formulary Pharmacist is a member of the NHS Lothian formulary committee.
3. NHS Borders does use the NHS Borders Joint Prescribing Formulary.
4. NHS Borders formulary is a joint formulary across primary and secondary care.

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 **560-18** 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.

