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## Freedom of Information request 592-18

#### Request

## **Question 1**

Does your Health Board have a 'Local Enhanced Service' (LES) or 'Near Patient Testing' scheme in place with primary care providers for the monitoring or prescribing of Prolia (denosumab) for the treatment of osteoporosis in postmenopausal women or men at increased risk of fractures?

#### Question 2

If answer is 'yes' to question 1, please could you provide the pricing arrangement (including cost and time schedule) for Prolia prescribing and Prolia monitoring and any further details of the scheme, for example if Prolia is anticipated to remain within the scheme for the forthcoming year.

#### **Question 3**

Does your Health Board have a 'Local Enhanced Service' (LES) or 'Near Patient Testing' scheme in place with primary care providers for the monitoring or prescribing of any other osteoporosis therapies. Please could you provide the pricing arrangement (including cost and time schedule) for the prescribing and monitoring of the therapy and any further details of the scheme.

### Response

- 1. NHS Borders does not have either of these schemes in place for the monitoring or prescribing of osteoporosis therapies.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. NHS Borders does not have either of these schemes in place for the monitoring or prescribing of osteoporosis therapies.

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 <a href="mailto:foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk">foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk</a>.

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 **592-18** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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