

## Freedom of Information request 12-19

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### Request

Can you tell me what products are available in vending machines at medical institutions (including hospitals and clinics) run by this NHS board and can you provide me with that information by hospital/institution?

Can you also tell me the provisions each institution has for offering healthy foods such as fruit?

### Response

Please find below the products provided in vending machines within the Borders General Hospital, Melrose which are run by NHS Borders:

Fruit juice  
Yoghurt  
Meals from main production  
Sandwiches  
Soup  
Pasta  
Shortbread  
Gluten free biscuits  
Baked potato  
Cheese & biscuits  
Pate & biscuits  
Fresh fruit  
Semi skimmed milk  
Cereal  
Biscuits  
Pots of cheese  
Pots of beans  
Baked crisps  
Crisps  
Water  
Chocolate bars  
Cereal bars

All other vending machines are operated and run by Ideal Vending Company and we do not hold information on what is contained within their machines, therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is not held.

All products within vending machines run by NHS Borders are Healthy Living Plus compliant.

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 **12-19** 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.