

Freedom of Information request 101-19

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please can you provide me with:

- The amount spent on employing agency, temporary and/or locum doctors in A&E departments in each month in 2018
- The number of FTE roles in A&E departments covered by agency, temporary and/or locum doctors in each month in 2018
- The total number of FTE doctors (including agency, temporary and/or locum and permanent staff) working in A&E departments in each month in 2018

If possible, please provide a breakdown for each item between consultants and junior/other grades.

Please provide this information as a CSV or spreadsheet file.

Response

NHS Borders spent the following on Agency Staff in A&E during calendar year 2018. Please note timing of payment may not be directly related to the date of the shifts provided by the agency staff:



A&E Staffing.xlsx

The Board did not spend any resource on Senior Medical Agency Staff within A&E during the period Jan 2018 to December 2018.

The Finance System does not hold details of the number of FTE roles covered by Agency Medical Staff. This data may be held in paper based records but to extract this data would require a manual trawl and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 therefore we are not required to provide.

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.

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 **101-19** 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.