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Freedom of Information request 190-19

Request & Response

I am writing to make an open government request information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am part of a team conducting a NIHR funded research study (see details at the end of this letter) looking to map all of the LGBTQ+ specific mental health services for young people aged 12 – 25 years. We are interested in finding out information about any early intervention services, especially CAMHS and EIS that provide specialist LGBTQ+ mental health support.

Please could you provide answers to the following questions:

1	Does your trust provide a specific mental health service for LGBTQ+ young people? (for example: specific LGBTQ+ group within a wider service, or an employee whose job is wholly or partly to provide specifically for LGBTQ+ young people) If yes: who would be the best person to contact about this service?	No
2	Are your staff offered LGBTQ+ awareness training?	No
	If yes: is this training mandatory?	
3	Do you deliver the training in house or is it provided by an external partner?	Not applicable
4	Do you have a specific policy for working with LGBTQ+ people? (Separate from a wider equality/diversity or inclusion statement)	No

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 **190-19** 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.