

## Freedom of Information request 257-19

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### Request

How many people in your health district were diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease (MND) between January 2018 - January 2019?

### Response

NHS Borders do not hold the number of patients diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease (MND) during this period on our electronic patient management systems. This data would only be held in a patient's notes and this would require a manual trawl of all paper records and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations and therefore we are not obliged to provide.

Under Section 15 of the FOI(S)A Duty to provide advice and assistance the [CARE MND Register](#), hosted by the Euan Macdonald Centre for MND Research can confirm that the total number of new cases diagnosed for Borders Health Board is 9.

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 **257-19** 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.