

## Freedom of Information request 296-19

### Request & Response

Please kindly provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act and the Code of Practice on Openness in the NHS.

- Did your trust outsource the reporting of diagnostic images to any teleradiology companies within the past 6 months listed in the table below?
- If so, for each company, please provide the name of the teleradiology provider along with the information in the table below (where available).

| OUTSOURCE ACTIVITY FOR ROUTINE REPORTS     |                       |                |                 |                 |                |                 |              |
|--|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Teleradiology Provider                     | Modalities Outsourced | October 2018 - | November 2018 - | December 2018 - | January 2019 - | February 2019 - | March 2019 - |
| TMC  | CT                    | 0              | 0               | 0               | 252            | 383             | 286          |
|  | MRI                   | 0              | 0               | 0               | 353            | 419             | 253          |
|  |                       |                |                 |                 |                |                 |              |
|  | <b>Total</b>          |                |                 |                 | 605            | 802             | 539          |
| OUTSOURCE ACTIVITY FOR OUT OF HOUR REPORTS |                       |                |                 |                 |                |                 |              |
| Teleradiology Provider                     | Modalities Outsourced | October 2018 - | November 2018 - | December 2018 - | January 2019 - | February 2019 - | March 2019 - |
| TMC  | CT                    | 0              | 0               | 0               | 16             | 27              | 23           |
|  | MRI                   | 0              | 0               | 0               | 0              | 0               | 0            |
|  |                       |                |                 |                 |                |                 |              |
|  | <b>Total</b>          |                |                 |                 | 16             | 27              | 23           |

- Please break down the amount(s) spent with each supplier over the following periods;

| Amount paid (£) to Supplier(s) during below periods |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Supplier(s)<br>Name                                 | Oct-<br>2018 | Nov-<br>2018 | Dec-<br>2019 | Jan-<br>2019 | Feb-<br>2019 | Mar-<br>2019 |
| TMC   | 0            | 0            | 0            | £20,107      | £27,767      | £19,358      |
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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 **296-19** 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.