Freedom of Information request 379-19

Request

I hope this email finds you well. Please may you respond to my query in line with freedom of information laws.

1. For each (calendar) year from 2010 to 2018, what drugs have been prescribed under Individual Patient Treatment Requests (IPTRs)?

2. Per drug, how many Individual Patient Treatment Requests (IPTRs) have been granted by your NHS Health Board?

3. How much has this cost?

Please lay your answer out in table format, per the example below:

Year	Type of Drug	Prescribed how many times under IPTR	Cost of IPTR	
2010	Sativex	4	4 x Sativex treatments	= Â£2000
	Cetuximab	2	4 x Cetuximab treatments	= Â£4000
2011	Cetuximab	4	4 x Cetuximab treatments	= Â£4000

Response

Please find below drugs prescribed under Individual Patient Treatment Requests (IPTRs) from 2010-18:

YEAR	Type of Drug	Prescribed how many times under IPTR
2010	Ranolazine	1
2011	Ranolazine	1
	Sativex	2
	Sorafenib	1
2012	Bosentan	1
	Deferasirox	1
	Erlotinib	1
	Natalizumab	1
	Ranolazine	1
2013	Bevacizumab	1
	Etanercept	1
	Imatinib	1
	Miglustat	1
	Oxycodone & Nalonxone	1
	Prucalopride	1
	Rivaroxaban	1
	Ruxolitinib	1
	Sativex	1
2014	Abiraterone	7
	Bevacizumab	7
	Bevacizumab & CapOx	1
	Cabazitaxel	1
	Cetuximab	2

	Dexamethasone	1
	Enzalutamide	5
	Oxycodone/Naloxone	1
	Pazopanib	2
	Pegasparaginase	1
	Pomalidomide	3
	Regorafenib	1
	Ruxolitinib	3
	Sativex	2
	Trabectedin	1
2015	Abiraterone	1
	Bendamustine & Prednisolone	3
	Bendamustine & Rituximab	1
	Bevacizumab	1
	Bevacizumab with CapOx	1
	Bortezomib	1
	Cabazitaxel	1
	Cetuximab	3
	Denosumab	1
	Eculizumab	1
	Enzalutamide	2
	Etanercept	1
	Ibrutinib	1
	Melatonin MR	1
	Pegylated lipsomal doxorubicin	1
	Radium 223	1
	Ruxolitinib	1
	Sativex	1
	Sorafenib	1
	Trastuzumab with cisplatin & capecitabine	1
2016	Bendamustine and Dexamethasone	1
	Bevacizumab	1
	Decapeptyl SR	1
	Enzalutamide	1
	Etanercept	1
	Sativex	1
2017	Eligustat	1
	Etanercept	1
2018	Ibrutinib	2
	Lumacaftor/Ivacaftor	1
	Sativex	5

The IPTR spend is not categorised separately within the Finance system and not all of the data is held by NHS Borders. To obtain this data would require a manual trawl of more than one system and an individual's medical record and to carry out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 therefore we cannot 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 **379-19** 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.