

Freedom of Information request 394-19

Request

For the past decade (from 2008 - 2018), please provide for NHS Borders:

1. Numbers of people diagnosed with endometriosis, broken down by counts for each year, eg:

	diagnoses
2008	
2009	
2010	
etc	

2. Ages of patients when diagnosed with endometriosis, broken down by counts for each year and each age, eg:

	age 12 (or youngest)	age 13	age 14	etc
2008				
2009				
2010				
etc				

3. Gender/sex of patients diagnosed with endometriosis, broken down by year (separate counts for each gender/sex - if genders other than male and female are recorded, such as non-binary, or trans male and trans female, please list these too), eg:

	m	f	non-binary
2008			
2009			
2010			
etc			

4. Time between diagnosis endometriosis and first reporting symptoms to the NHS (in weeks - separate counts for 1 week, 2 weeks, etc), eg:

	<1 week	1 week	2 weeks	etc
2008				
2009				
2010				
etc				

5. The total number of people admitted to hospitals due to endometriosis, with counts for each year, eg:

	admissions
2008	
2009	
2010	
etc	

6. The genders of people admitted to hospitals due to endometriosis, broken down by year (separate counts for each gender/sex - if genders other than male and female are recorded, such as non-binary, please include these), eg:

	m	f	non-binary
2008			
2009			
2010			
etc			

7. The average waiting time for treatment for endometriosis (from first diagnosis to treatment), eg:

	average waiting time
2008	
2009	
2010	
etc	

8. Waiting times for people treated for endometriosis each year for the past five years (in weeks - separate counts for 1 week, 2 weeks, etc), eg:

	<1 week	1 week	2 weeks	etc
2008				
2009				
2010				
etc				

Can I please have the information requested supplied to me in an Excel spreadsheet.

Response

1. NHS Borders do not record the date of diagnosis electronically, this date may be held in a patient's notes but to extract this data would require a manual trawl of all patient notes and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 and therefore we are not required to provide.
2. NHS Borders do not record the date of diagnosis electronically therefore we are unable to provide the age of patients, this information may be held in a patient's notes but to extract this data would require a manual trawl of all patient notes and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 and therefore we are not required to provide.
3. NHS Borders do not record the date of diagnosis electronically therefore we are unable to provide the gender of patients, this information may be held in a patient's notes but to extract this data would require a manual trawl of all patient notes and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 and therefore we are not required to provide.
4. This data is not recorded on our patient management systems, this information may be held in a patient's notes but to extract this data would require a manual trawl of all patient notes and the cost of carrying out this work would exceed the limit set in the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 and therefore we are not required to provide.
5. Please find the total number of people admitted to hospital due to endometriosis within the NHS Borders area:



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6. All patients admitted to hospitals due to endometriosis were female in the years requested.
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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.

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 **394-19** 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.