

## Freedom of Information request 484-19

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### Request

For each year since 2014:

1. Number of Category 1 Adverse Event Reviews following a drugs death.
2. Copies of the reviews (I accept these may have to be anonymised in keeping with standard publication practice with regard safeguarding).
3. Safety alerts, learning points or any other form of learning guidance issued following a drugs death.
4. Details and copies of any other form of review following a drugs death (for instance, but not confined to, within the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership).

### Response

1. Please find below the number of reviews following a drugs death by Borders Alcohol & Drugs Partnership Drug Death Review Group:

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 to date
9	5	11	10	21	7

- 2-4 Please find below a copy of the Drug Death Reviews undertaken by NHS Borders, these documents contain a learning outcome report following a drugs death (Q3&4). Outcome templates are completed for all deaths however these are only shared with Healthcare Governance Lead if the person has been in contact with NHS services within 12 months prior to death.

Under Section 12 of the Fees Regulations of the FOI(S)A 2002 we are unable to provide all the Reviews for the period in question due to the number of reviews and the time taken to redact this data to remove any person identifiable data under Section 38(1)(b). Therefore under Section 15 Duty to provide advice and assistance please find attached below the Reviews from 2018 which we have been able to provide within the cost limit:

 Case 5814_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5846_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5849_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5851_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5936_Redacted.pdf
 Case 5938_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5939_Redacted.pdf	 Case 5940_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6040_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6041_Redacted.pdf
 Case 6312_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6313_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6426_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6452_Redacted.pdf	 Case 6453_Redacted.pdf



Case

6455\_Redacted.pdf



Case

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6457\_Redacted.pdf



Case

6560\_Redacted.pdf



Case

6587\_Redacted.pdf



Case

6597\_Redacted.pdf

Please note a similar request has been received by Scottish Borders Council. Therefore the numbers reflected in this response are the same people as reflected in the Scottish Borders Council and should not be counted separately.

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 **484-19** 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.