

Freedom of Information request 528-19

Request

For 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20 to date:

1. The total amount spent on agency staff (not including NHS employed bank staff).
2. The total amount spent on clinical appointments and procedures carried out by private or independent organisations.
3. The names of private or independent organisations from which the health board has procured clinical services and the value of any related clinical services contract.
4. The total amount spent on management and corporate services carried out by private or independent organizations

Response

1. The total amount reported by the Board in its' Annual Report and Accounts for Agency Staffing is detailed below:

	Total Agency Spend
2014/15	£2,979,651
2015/16	£3,707,952
2016/17	£5,066,808
2017/18	£2,785,057
2018/19	£2,740,282
2019/20 to date	£921,858

2. Please find below the total amount spent on clinical appointments and procedures carried out by private or independent organisations:

2014/15	£1,126,283.45
2015/16	£1,016,373.97
2016/17	£292,486.60
2017/18	£77,830.92
2018/19	£548,757.75
2019/20 to date	£460,302.31

3. Please find below the names of the private or independent organisations which NHS Borders has procured clinical services:

- Glasgow Nuffield
- Spire Healthcare Ltd
- Synaptik
- Medinet

4. The Board has not instructed any management or corporate services be carried out by private or independent organisations.

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 **528-19** 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.