

Freedom of Information request 30-20

Request

1. Can you please disclose (a) the total number of patients in your Health Board that received a continuous glucose monitoring device (excluding flash glucose monitoring devices); and (b) how many of them were pregnant, in each of the following financial years (c) 2018/19 (d) 2019/20.
2. Can you please disclose (a) the total number of patients in your Health Board, referred to receive a continuous glucose monitoring device (excluding flash glucose monitoring devices) that have remained on a waiting list for more than 18 weeks; and (b) how many of them were pregnant, in each of the following financial years (c) 2018/19 (d) 2019/20.
3. Can you please disclose (a) how many patients in your Health Board with a diagnosis of type 1 diabetes have successfully completed a structured education course (e.g. DAFNE, RECLAIM) in each of the following financial years (b) 2018/19 (c) 2019/20.
4. Can you please disclose (a) the number of gestational diabetes-related obstetric complications in pregnant women, recorded in your Health Board, in each of the following financial years (b) 2018/19 (c) 2019/20.
5. Can you please disclose (a) how many patients in your Health Board that have been referred to receive a type 1 diabetes structured education course (e.g. DAFNE, RECLAIM) have remained on a waiting list for more than 18 weeks in each following financial years (b) 2018/19 (c) 2019/20.

Response

1. A total of 8 patients received a continuous glucose monitoring device in the years requested.
 - b) <5 of these patients were pregnant.
 - c) 3
 - d) 5
2.
 - a) No patient waited more than 19 weeks to receive a continuous glucose monitoring device.
 - b) Not applicable.
 - c) Not applicable.
 - d) Not applicable.
3.
 - a) A total of 76 patients completed a structured education course.
 - b) 47
 - c) 29
4. This information is not recorded electronically but may be held in a patient's notes. To extract this data would require a manual trawl of all 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. In NHS Borders in 2018/19 30 patients waited more than 18 weeks to receive a structured education course and in 2019/20 (to date) 27 patients waited more than 18 weeks.

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 **30-20** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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