

## Freedom of Information request 63-20

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### Request

Freedom of Information Request – Wrong Route Medication Administration Never Events:

- The type of any wrong route medication administration never events in the last three years e.g. Intravenous medication given intrathecally.
- The hospital and department the error took place.
- The severity of the harm caused by the error.

### Response

- There are three 'types' of Medication Administration Never Events. Intravenous chemotherapy administered via the intrathecal, oral/enteral medication or feed/flush administered by any parenteral route and intravenous administration of a medicine intended to be administered via the epidural route.

In the time period from 01 January 2017 to 31 December 2019 there have been none of these events reported in NHS Borders. There have also been none from 31 December 2019 to date.

- Not applicable.
- Not applicable.

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 **63-20** 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.