

Freedom of Information request 123-20

Request

I am writing to ask for some information relating to junior doctors in your health board.
I would appreciate if you could answer the following questions for me:

1. How much money was the total spent by your health board on paying junior doctors (all grades below consultant level) in each of 2017, 2018 and 2019?
2. How much of this money was spent by your health board in each of 2017, 2018 and 2019 on paying locum or agency doctors (at all grades below consultant level)?

Response

1. The table below details the total spend on all medical grades below Consultant between 2017 and 2019:

Year	2017	2018	2019
Spend	£10,888,463	£10,843,629	£11,157,029

2. The table below details the total agency medical spend on all medical grades below Consultant between 2017 and 2019:

Year	2017	2018	2019
Spend	£691,531	£1,042,056	£706,826

Please note that these figures are included in the totals provided in the table for the previous question.

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 **123-20** 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.