

Freedom of Information request 168-20

Request

I write on behalf of the British Association for Surgery of the Knee as their research fellow. We are conducting a research project exploring the epidemiology and management of patellofemoral instability. As such we would be grateful if you could provide us with the following information under the Freedom of Information Act, relating to the codes used in your hospital to document this condition and its treatment:

Coding relating to diagnosis:

- patellar dislocation
- recurrent patella dislocation
- patellar instability

Coding relating to treatment:

- Lateral release
- Trochleoplasty
- Tibial tubercle osteotomy including Elmslie Trillat / Maquet
- Medial patello-femoral ligament (MPFL) reconstruction
- Proximal realignment
- Allograft (at the time of MPFL reconstruction)

If your trust does not manage this condition, I would be grateful if you could send a reply to this effect.

Response

Please find below the codes used by NHS Borders for the conditions requested:

Diagnosis

Patellar Dislocation – S83.0 (traumatic)
Recurrent Patellar Dislocation – M22.0
Patellar Instability – M24.2 / M25.3

Procedure

Lateral Release – W84.8
Medial Patello-femoral ligament (MPFL) Reconstruction W74 / W75

Please note NHS Borders does not provide the other treatments requested therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is not held.

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 **168-20** 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.