

Freedom of Information request 216-20

Request

1. I would like to request any data you hold on falls from the last 5 years?
2. I am looking for the total number of falls sorted by hospital from the last 5 years?
3. I am looking for the total number of falls sorted by ward from the last 2 years?
4. I would also like to request all email addresses for ward managers and falls leads/groups within the trust?

Clarification Received:

These questions are in relation to inpatients of the trust.

Response

1. Please find attached a spreadsheet which provides the data requested:



Data FOI 216-20.pdf

2. Please find below the number of falls sorted by hospital for the last 5 years:

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total
BGH	639	674	687	726	638	3364
Hawick Community Hospital	132	182	134	117	112	677
Knoll Community Hospital	136	86	178	110	118	628
Kelso Community Hospital	102	84	120	99	81	486
Haylodge Community Hospital	205	88	78	64	108	543
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3. Please find below the number of falls sorted by ward for the last 2 years:

BGH Wards

	2018-19	2019-20	Total
Borders Stroke Unit	42	42	84
Clinical Service - Acute Medicine, Palliative Care and Liaison	0	<5	<5
Clinical Service - Medicine (no longer in use)	0	0	0
CV1 (Covid-19 Ward)	0	<5	<5

Dialysis	0	0	0
Emergency Department (A&E)	7	9	16
HDU Ward 5	25	20	45
ITU1	<5	<5	<5
Margaret Kerr Unit	37	21	58
Maternity (based in Ward 8)	<5	0	<5
Medical Assessment Unit (MAU) - Ward 6	94	66	160
Medical Ward 4	128	103	231
Paediatrics	<5	0	<5
PSAU - Ward 8	<5	0	<5
Radiology	<5	<5	<5
Specialist Nurses Diabetes	0	0	0
Theatres (including DPU)	0	0	0
Ward 12 (DME)	152	139	291
Ward 14 (DME)	150	169	319
Ward 16 (General Medicine)	19	5	24
Ward 7 (inc. gynae emergencies)	16	15	31
Ward 9	49	44	93
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Community Hospital Wards

	2018-19	2019-20	Total
Hawick Community Hospital Ward	117	112	229
Eyemouth Community Hospital Ward	0	0	0
Knoll Community Hospital Ward	110	118	228
Kelso Community Hospital Ward	99	81	180
Haylodge Community Hospital Ward	64	108	172

4. The email address requested is falls.management@borders.scot.nhs.uk

As the number of events in some areas are very small and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics any number that is less than five, actual numbers and potentially identifiable information is withheld to help maintain patient confidentiality due to potential risk of disclosure. Further information is available in the [ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol](#).

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 **216-20** 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.