

## Freedom of Information request 266-20

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### Request

Question 1) How many patients died whilst on a delayed discharge register in a) 2016/17, b) 2017/18, c) 2018,19, d) 2019/20 and e) 2020/21

Question 2) What is the a) average, b) median and c) maximum number of days that have been recorded for a patient on the delayed discharge register in a) 2016/17, b) 2017/18, c) 2018,19, d) 2019/20 and e) 2020/21

### Response

Please find below the data as per request. This delayed discharge data includes cases classified as complex as well as standard:

All Delayed Discharges				
Days Delayed				
Discharge Year	Deaths	Average	Median	Maximum
2016'17	10	18.3	13	314
2017'18	12	24.5	12	229
2018'19	20	22.6	8	680
2019'20	8	17.0	7	1480
April to June 2020	0	16.5	7	102
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1480</b>

**Please note:** reasons for delay include those affected by patient/family choice as well as for provision of services.

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 **266-20** 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.

