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## Freedom of Information request 298-20

## Request

Please tell me how many coronavirus-related deaths there have been to date in old peoples' homes run a) by your health board, b) local council, c) local private providers.

I have been informed by the council that I should contact the board for this information, and that the board - as part of the Health and Social Care Partnership – holds this information.

Please ensure this is broken down by individual home, listing the home name and death total. Where low numbers could risk potential identification, please indicate this with <5.

## Response

The Scottish Borders Health and Social Care Partnership are only a commissioning function and therefore do not hold data. NHS Borders does not own or have operational responsibility for any care home. This information would be held by SB Cares or the independent providers of Care Homes.

This data is also available publically at <u>National Records Scotland</u>, therefore under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

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 **298-20** 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, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.