

## Freedom of Information request 347-20

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### Request

I am seeking to understand whether your health board holds any information, proposals or guidance referring to the 2019 MBRRACE-UK report, Saving Lives, Improving Mothers' Care following the below response from the Scottish Government? Do you hold the following:

- Correspondence between the Scottish Government, your health board and / or other health boards referring to the 2019 MBRRACE-UK report, Saving Lives, Improving Mothers' Care;
- Any meeting notes or minutes where the 2019 MBRRACE-UK report, Saving Lives, Improving Mothers' Care was discussed;
- Any policy publications, planning notes or other working documents which relate to the 2019 MBRRACE-UK report, Saving Lives, Improving Mothers' Care.
- Any document with listed actions, wherever directed, aimed at the improvement of BME maternal health outcomes, including mortality rates.

If you also hold any work ongoing or previously undertaken to respond to race inequality in maternal care or any document that directly or indirectly relates to the recommendations from the 2019 MBRRACE audit report, please could you include that in the above list.

Furthermore, if you hold any information on actions to address maternal mortality rates for Black women that predates the 2019 MBRRACE audit report, please could you include in the above list.

### Response

NHS Borders received this correspondence and circulated it to relevant staff via email. Unfortunately due to Covid-19 there have not been any meetings to disseminate this report or produce any working documents. An update of the report is usually discussed at NHS Borders' Practical Obstetric Multi-Professional Training (PROMPT).

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 **347-20** 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.

