

Freedom of Information request 403-20

Request

Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act I understand that I can specify the format in which the information is provided so please provide the answers in a excel spreadsheet.

1. The total number of beds across each hospital in a) 2019/20 and b) currently.
2. Of the current total number of beds, how many have been allocated to treating patients in covid-19 wards.
3. The total number of current ICU beds in each hospital and the total allocated for treating covid-19 patients.

Response

Please find attached spreadsheet with data as per request:



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Spreadsheet.xlsx

Please note Covid beds are opened as required, not sitting available and NHS Borders, like most Boards have an agreed plan for opening beds when they reach different triggers -

General Beds:

2 patients – first Covid ward opens
6 patients – second Covid ward opens
18 patients – third Covid ward opens
38 patients – fourth Covid ward opens
79 patients – fifth Covid ward opens
110 patients – sixth Covid ward opens

ITU Beds:

>3 patients – ITU1 becomes designated Covid ITU

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 **403-20** 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.