

Freedom of Information request 432-20

Request

I am writing to you to request the following information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002:

1. How many NHS Borders hospital patients were transferred to care homes between March 3 2020 and April 21 2020?
2. How many of these hospital patients had been tested for COVID-19?
3. How many of these hospital patients had tested positive for COVID-19?
4. How many patients who tested positive for COVID-19 were then re-tested, and how many of these returned a negative result?
5. Which care homes were hospital patients transferred to (with a breakdown of whether they had been tested for COVID-19, and had tested positive or negative)?
6. How many NHS Borders hospital patients were transferred to care homes between April 22 2020 and May 31 2020?
7. How many of these hospital patients had been tested for COVID-19?
8. How many of these hospital patients had tested positive for COVID-19?
9. How many patients who tested positive for COVID-19 were then re-tested, and how many of these returned a negative result?
10. Which care homes were hospital patients transferred to (with a breakdown of whether they had been tested for COVID-19, and had tested positive or negative)?

Response

Please note that all of the above information is held by Public Health Scotland (phts.foi@nhs.net) on behalf of NHS Borders. 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 **432-20** 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.