

Freedom of Information request 485-20

Request

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below :-

1. Number of nurses recruited from international countries over the past 12 months?
2. Amount spent on the recruitment of international nurses over the past 12 months?
3. How many agencies are currently on the international recruitment of nurses PSL? Are all of these agencies framework approved?
4. Within the next 12 months do you have any plans to to recruit international nurses via means of a tender or mini competition? If yes then please specify via which means.
5. Outside of the procurement team, who is the decision maker (name and job designation) with regards to who is placed on the international recruitment of nurses PSL?
6. If you are currently running international recruitment of nurses projects then please confirm the process to be added to the PSL and the duration of the existing contract. If there is an extension clause on the existing contract, and no agencies are being added to the PSL, then please confirm the duration

Response

1. NHS Borders have not recruited any nurses from international countries over the past 12 months.
2. There has been no spend on recruitment of international nurses over the past 12 months.
3. Not applicable.
4. No.
5. Not applicable.
6. Not applicable.

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 **485-20** 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.