

Freedom of Information request 35-21

Request and Response

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act for information relating to your activities with regards to domestic violence.

Could you please tell me:

1. Do you provide access to an Independent Domestic Abuse Advisor?

Yes

2. If yes, do you provide access to an IDAA at every hospital site?

Yes

3. Do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse?

No

4. If yes, do you employ a domestic abuse specialist nurse at every hospital site?

Not applicable.

5. Do you have a Domestic Abuse policy?

Yes

6. If yes, please provide a copy.



NHS Borders GBV
Policy V1.1 - published

Please note that this policy is due to be reviewed.

7. Do you produce an annual safeguarding report on domestic abuse?

No

8. Do you conduct internal audits to ensure compliance to the domestic abuse policy?

No

9. Have you conducted training for staff on domestic abuse in the last 12 months. If no, in the last 24 months?

Yes

10. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) risk assessments were completed by the trust/health board in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

NHS Borders do not collect this data, therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 we cannot provide.

11. How many domestic abuse, stalking and harassment (DASH) referrals were made by the trust/health board to a Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

Please find data within spreadsheet attached as requested:



FOI Proforma 35-21
Q11.xlsx

Please provide the data for the last two parts of my request in a spreadsheet format.

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 **35-21** 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.