

## Freedom of Information request 90-21

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### Request and Response

1. What is the size of the Trust in terms of number of beds:

Number of beds	There are 393 inpatient hospital beds across NHS Borders premises
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2. Please provide the number of needle stick (sharps) injuries reported within the Trust for the following NHS years:<sup>1</sup>

NHS Year (April to March)	Number of reported needle stick (sharps) injuries
April 2017 – March 2018	81
April 2018 – March 2019	83
April 2019 – March 2020	113

3. How many subcutaneous (SC) infusion procedures were conducted by your trust in the following NHS years:

NHS Year (April to March)	Number of SC procedures:
April 2017 – March 2018	Unknown
April 2018 – March 2019	Unknown
April 2019 – March 2020	Unknown

NHS Borders do not collate information on subcutaneous (SC) infusion procedures therefore this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

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 **90-21** 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

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<sup>1</sup> Needle stick injuries are often reported within the Trust's Datix system

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.