

Freedom of Information request 98-21

Request

Please see Freedom of Information request below:

Can you please provide me with the following documents?

1. Your Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Heart Failure
2. Your Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Type 2 Diabetes - pertaining to use of SGLT2, DPP-4 and GLP-1
3. Your Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of COPD
4. Your Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Asthma
5. Your Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Atrial Fibrillation

Response

Please see where to locate the requested documents below:

1. NHS Borders Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Heart Failure is available on the NHS Borders Formulary Index, which can be found at <https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/BordersFormulary/index.html> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

NHS Borders also follows the guidance found on pages 18 - 30 of <https://www.sign.ac.uk/media/1083/sign147.pdf> , therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

2. NHS Borders Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Type 2 Diabetes is available on the NHS Borders Formulary Index, which can be found at <https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/BordersFormulary/index.html> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

NHS Borders also uses the guidance on <https://www.sign.ac.uk/media/1090/sign154.pdf> at:

- a. SGLT2, page 20
- b. DPP-4, page 17 and;
- c. GLP-1, page 24

therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

3. NHS Borders Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of COPD is available on the NHS Borders Formulary Index, which can be found at <https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/BordersFormulary/index.html> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

NHS Borders also uses the guidance on page 12 of <https://www.therapeutics.scot.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Strategy-Respiratory-Quality-Prescribing-for-Respiratory-2018.pdf> and the chart at: <http://intranet/resource.asp?uid=35351> . Please note, while this is currently marked out of date, an extension has been granted due to Covid-19, therefore under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

4. NHS Borders Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Asthma is available on the NHS Borders Formulary Index, which can be found at <https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/BordersFormulary/index.html> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

NHS Borders also follows the guidance set out in page 11 of <https://www.therapeutics.scot.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Strategy-Respiratory-Quality-Prescribing-for-Respiratory-2018.pdf> and pages 62-85 of <https://www.sign.ac.uk/media/1773/sign158-updated.pdf> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

5. NHS Borders Guideline/Treatment Pathway for the pharmacological management of Atrial Fibrillation is available on the NHS Borders Formulary Index, which can be found at <https://www.nhsborders.scot.nhs.uk/BordersFormulary/index.html> therefore please note under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.

NHS Borders also follows the guideline at <https://www.sign.ac.uk/media/1089/sign152.pdf> 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 **98-21** 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.