

## Freedom of Information request 202-21

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### Request

Please could you provide me with the following information under the freedom of information act.

1. What was the Trusts overall spend on outsourced routine elective radiology reporting to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Years?
2. What was the Trusts overall spend on outsourced Out of Hours radiology reporting to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Year?
3. Which teleradiology provider(s) did you use for your outsourced routine elective radiology reporting in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Years. If you used more than one provider please rank in order of spend.
4. Which teleradiology provider(s) did you use for your outsourced Out of Hours reporting in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Years. If you used more than one provider please rank in order of spend.
5. What percentage of your total Trust routine elective activity was outsourced to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Years?
6. What percentage of your total Trust Out of hours activity was outsourced to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 Financial Years?

### Response

1. NHS Borders overall spend on outsourced routine elective radiology reporting to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 financial years was:

2019/20	£156,403
2020/21	£79,984

2. NHS Borders overall spend on outsourced Out of Hours radiology reporting to an external provider(s) in the 2019/2020 and 2020/21 financial years was:

2019/20	£26,794
2020/21	£29,896.50

3. In the financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21 NHS Borders used TMC for outsourced routine elective radiology reporting.
4. In the financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21 NHS Borders used TMC for outsourced Out of Hours reporting.
5. The percentage of routine elective activity outsourced to an external provider(s) was:

2019/20	Approximately 30%
2020/21	Approximately 13%

6. The percentage of out of hours activity outsourced to an external provider was:

	Between the hours of 2300 and 0800	After 1700 Monday – Sunday
2019/20	100%	21%
2020/21	100%	23%

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 **202-21** 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.