

Freedom of Information request 205-21

Request

This is a freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Question 1) Does your health board offer Intrauterine Insemination (IUI) to patients residing in the health board area? If not, where are patients referred to?

Question 2) How many patients in your health board area have received IUI in

- a)2017/18
- b)2018/19
- c)2019/20 and
- d)2020/21?

Question 3) What was

- a)average waiting time
- b)median waiting time and
- c)longest waiting time for IUI in

- a)2017/18
- b)2018/19
- c)2019/20 and
- d)2020/21?

Question 4) Do you have a sperm bank in your health board? If yes, is it currently recruiting donors?

Question 5) How many sperm donors have made donations during

- a)2017/18
- b)2018/19
- c)2019/20 and
- d)2020/21?

Response

1. No, NHS Borders does not perform Intrauterine Insemination (IUI). Patients residing in NHS Borders who require IUI are referred to NHS Lothian. Details of numbers of NHS Borders patients treated with IUI in NHS Lothian are kept by NHS Lothian and could be obtained by them, therefore please note under Section 25 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere.
2. Not applicable.
3. Not applicable.
4. No, NHS Borders does not have a sperm bank.
5. 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 **205-21** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

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