

Freedom of Information request 25-22

Request

1. Can you please confirm, for the calendar year 2021, the total number of patients diagnosed for metastatic renal cell carcinoma and treated by your Board.
2. The total number treated for metastatic renal cell carcinoma, for the calendar year 2021
3. Can you please, also, confirm the number of patients, treated for metastatic renal cell carcinoma, during 2021, by each of the following treatments:
 - a. Nivolumab (Opdivo)
 - b. Nivolumab & Ipilimumab
 - c. Pembrolizumab & Axitinib
 - d. Avelumab & Axitinib
 - e. Cabozantinib (Cabometyx)
 - f. Sunitinib (Sutent)
 - g. Pazopanib (Votrient)
 - h. Axitinib (Inlyta)
 - i. Tivozanib (Fotivda)
 - j. Everolimus
 - k. Everolimus and lenvatinib (Kispilyx)

Response

1. There were <5 patients diagnosed and treated for metastatic renal cell carcinoma by NHS Borders in the calendar year 2019.
2. There were <5 patients referred for treatment for metastatic renal cell carcinoma, in the calendar year 2021.
3. Patients with metastatic renal cell carcinoma are referred to Oncology at NHS Lothian who provide treatment, therefore please note under Section 25 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 this data is accessible elsewhere. For your information please find a link to NHS Lothian's website below:
<https://www.nhsllothian.scot/Pages/default.aspx>

Please note that as NHS Borders is such a small Board and the of patients is very small, to provide further details could allow individuals to be identified and we would be in breach of the Data Protection Act 2018. We are therefore withholding all other data under Section 38(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. This is in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics that any number that is less than five, actual numbers and potentially identifiable information is withheld to help maintain patient confidentiality due to potential risk of disclosure. Further information is available in the ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol.

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 **25-22** 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.