

## Freedom of Information request 244-22

### Request

1. How many people currently living in the health board area have a diagnosis of bronchiectasis?
2. How many bronchiectasis diagnoses has there been for each quarter over the past five year? i.e. January-March 2017 until October-December 2021.
3. What is the age breakdown of bronchiectasis patients? i.e. 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61-70,71+

### Clarification Received:

**Please provide available data as number of people treated in secondary care with this condition.**

### Response

Please find below the number of patients treated for bronchiectasis over the last 5 years, broken down by age group:

**Patients Discharged with a Diagnosis of Bronchiectasis January 2017 to December 2021: by quarter/year & ageband**

| Quarter / Year                       | Under        |              |          |           |           | 71 plus    | Total      |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
|                                      | 21           | 31-40        | 41-50    | 51-60     | 61-70     |            |            |
| 1. Jan to Mar 2017                   |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 10         | 16         |
| 2. Apr to Jun 2017                   |              | <5           | <5       |           | <5        | 6          | 10         |
| 3. Jul to Sep 2017                   | <5           |              |          |           | <5        | 6          | 9          |
| 4. Oct to Dec 2017                   |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 8          | 12         |
| 5. Jan to Mar 2018                   |              |              | <5       | <5        | <5        | 9          | 12         |
| 6. Apr to Jun 2018                   |              |              |          |           |           | 9          | 9          |
| 7. Jul to Sep 2018                   |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 8          | 11         |
| 8. Oct to Dec 2018                   |              |              | <5       | <5        | <5        | 7          | 11         |
| 9. Jan to Mar 2019                   |              |              | <5       | <5        | <5        | 6          | 10         |
| 10. Apr to Jun 2019                  |              |              |          |           |           | 7          | 7          |
| 11. Jul to Sep 2019                  |              |              |          | <5        |           | 6          | 10         |
| 12. Oct to Dec 2019                  |              |              | <5       | <5        | 5         | 10         | 17         |
| 13. Jan to Mar 2020                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 6          | 11         |
| 14. Apr to Jun 2020                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | <5         | <5         |
| 15. Jul to Sep 2020                  |              |              |          |           |           | 5          | 5          |
| 16. Oct to Dec 2020                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 7          | 9          |
| 17. Jan to Mar 2021                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | <5         | 5          |
| 18. Apr to Jun 2021                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | <5         | 9          |
| 19. Jul to Sep 2021                  |              |              |          |           | <5        | <5         | <5         |
| 20. Oct to Dec 2021                  |              |              |          | <5        | <5        | 6          | 9          |
| <b>Total Discharges</b>              | <b>&lt;5</b> | <b>&lt;5</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>22</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>126</b> | <b>189</b> |
| <b>Number of individual patients</b> | <b>&lt;5</b> | <b>&lt;5</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>71</b>  | <b>109</b> |

Notes:

Discharges from NHS Borders Hospitals

Patients discharged with a Diagnosis Code of J47 in any diagnostic position.

Source: SMR1

As the number of events in some areas are very small and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics 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](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 **244-22** 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.