

Freedom of Information request 285-22

Request

1. How many new posts outlined in 'Action 15' of the Scottish Government's Mental Health Strategy (increase the workforce to give access to dedicated mental health professionals to all A&Es, all GP practices, every police station custody suite, and to our prisons) have been filled by individuals not already employed in Mental Health services run by your health board since April 2017.
2. How many new posts outlined in 'Action 15' of the Scottish Government's Mental Health Strategy have been filled by individuals already employed in Mental Health Services run by your health board since April 2017.
3. How many people were employed in posts outlined in 'Action 15' of the Scottish Government's Mental Health Plan for Scotland in a) April 2017 and b) April 2022.
4. How much over time was worked by employees in ward based and traditional community mental health services between a) April 2017-April 2018 and b) April 2021-April 2022.
5. How many people were employed in ward based and traditional community mental health services in a) April 2017 and b) April 2022

Response

1. There were 4 new posts filled by new employees under the Action 15 plan.
2. There were 3 new posts filled by existing staff under the Action 15 plan.
3. There were 8 people in posts under Action 15 by April 2022.
4. This information is not collated and recorded electronically. Therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data cannot be provided.
5. Under Section 25 of the FOI(S)A this data is accessible at the following link:
[NHSScotland workforce | Turas Data Intelligence](#)

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 **285-22** 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.