

Freedom of Information request 290-22

Request

I would like to make the following request under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. In this health board, how many individuals are currently on waiting lists for residential detoxification and rehabilitation? Please also provide the number of individuals who were waiting for residential detoxification and rehabilitation at the following timestamps: year ending 31 December 2021, year ending 31 December 2020, year ending 31 December 2019, year ending 31 December 2018 and year ending 31 December 2017.
2. In this health board, what is the average time spent by individuals currently on waiting lists for residential detoxification and rehabilitation? Please also provide the data for the following timestamps: year ending 31 December 2021, year ending 31 December 2020, year ending 31 December 2019, year ending 31 December 2018 and year ending 31 December 2017.
3. In this health board, what is the maximum time being spent by an individual currently on the waiting list for residential detoxification and rehabilitation? Please also provide the data for the following timestamps: year ending 31 December 2021, year ending 31 December 2020, year ending 31 December 2019, year ending 31 December 2018 and year ending 31 December 2017.

Response

NHS Borders do not hold data on waiting lists for residential detoxification and rehabilitation for the time period in question. Therefore under Section 17 of the FOI(S)A 2002 this data is not held.

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 **290-22** 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.