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# Freedom of Information request 299-22

## Request

- 1. Please can you tell me how many adverse events were recorded on your Datix system in each month of the last three full financial years and April, May and June of this financial year. Can this be broken down by the associated harm in the following categories (or similar):
- Adverse events that led to harm
- · Adverse events that did not lead to harm
- Near misses
- · Fatality Learning Event
- Never Events
- 2. In addition, again in each month of the last three full financial years and April, May and June of this financial year, which categories of seriousness these Datix entries were put into (so how many were in adverse event categories one, two or three).
- 3. Lastly, please can you tell me how many significant adverse event reviews (SAER) were instigated by the health board in each month of the last three full financial years and April, May and June of this financial year.

My preferred format for all of the above is MS Excel.

#### **CLARIFICATION RECEIVED:**

So on the first one can we reword the question to

 Please can you tell me how many adverse events were recorded on your Datix system in each month of the last three full financial years and April, May and June of this financial year. Can this be broken down by the following descriptors:

Negligible (1) Minor (2) Moderate (3) Major (4) Extreme (5)

And for Q2.

Yes, can you please break it down by category and level please.

#### Response

Please find attached a spreadsheet containing the data as per request:



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.

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 **299-22** 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, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.