

Freedom of Information request 314-22

Request

Question 1

Please complete the table below:

Radium-223 dichloride service	
Is radium-223 dichloride offered in your trust as a treatment for prostate cancer? (y/n)	
If yes, please list the indications for which it is used in your trust?	

Question 2

Please detail the number of patients that are treated with radium-223 dichloride in your trust:

Patient numbers	
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Question 3

In what department is molecular radiotherapy provided in your trust?

Administration	Radium-223 dichloride	177Lutetium based radioligand therapy for neuroendocrine tumours
Nuclear Medicine		
Medical Physics		
Radiotherapy		
Oncology		
Urology		
Other		
N/A		

Question 4

What codes are associated with molecular radiotherapy administration in your trust?

NHS codes	HRG	OPCS code
Radium-223 dichloride		

Question 5

Please complete the table below:

Who performs the administration of the treatment?	Radium-223 dichloride	177Lutetium based radioligand therapy for neuroendocrine tumours
CNS		
Technician		

NM nurse		
NM physicist		
NM Consultant		
Oncologist		
Other (please state)		

Question 6

Who holds the ARSAC licence in your trust?

Administration	(y/n)	Radium-223 dichloride	177Lutetium based radioligand therapy for neuroendocrine tumours
Nuclear Medicine consultant			
Clinical Oncologist			
Radiologist			
Other (please state speciality)			

Question 7

Do you provide Radioactive Waste Advisory, Radiation Protection Advisory and Medical Physics Expert services in your trust or are they outsourced?

Radiation safety (y/n)	Conducted in-house (If so, please provide the number of full-time equivalents providing these services in your centre)	Outsourced
Radioactive Waste Adviser (RWA)		
Radiation Protection Adviser (RPA)		
Medical Physics Expert (MPE)		

Question 8

Please complete the table below:

Dosimetry	(y/n)	If yes, what is the schedule after each administration?	If yes, is this analysed in-house or outsourced?
Is dosimetry performed for radium-223 dichloride prostate cancer patients?			

Response

NHS Borders do not administer Radium-223 Dichloride.

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 **314-22** 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.