

Freedom of Information request 387-22

Request

I am writing to make a request for information around statutory provision for equipment (such as beds, wheelchairs, mobility aids, and so on) for disabled people.

1. We understand that certain equipment is provided as statutory provision for disabled adults.
 - a. Does NHS Borders have a core list of what equipment should statutorily be provided for disabled adults in your area? If yes, please can you share this list with us. If no, could you please share more information around how the provision of equipment is taking place, and whose responsibility this is.
 - b. If relevant, do you have a more specialised list of what equipment should be provided by the health board to an individual with a neurological condition? If yes, please can you share this list with us.

Response

- a. The provision of equipment for NHS Borders patients in the community, including disabled adults, is made by SBCares. Please find attached the Community Equipment Service core list of equipment available to be provided, following assessment of the patient by a professional:



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- b. SBC Cares does not have a specific list of equipment which should be supplied to individuals with a neurological condition, however specialised equipment would be provided following individual assessment by professional.

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 **387-22** 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.