

Freedom of Information request 576-22

Request

Description of request information

- Clinical staff who have sustained a workforce musculoskeletal injury from January 2018 to October 2022 whilst undertaking patient moving and handling / care activities in your NHS Scotland Health Board

Please see request on spreadsheet:



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Data.xlsx

Clarifications:

1. What is your definition of "Clinical Staff"?
Nursing and midwifery, healthcare assistance, allied health professionals such as physiotherapist and occupational therapist, radiographers, sonographers etc, but not medical staff
2. For Question 7 of the request below, are you referring to all litigation cases or only those relating to staff injured "whilst undertaking patient moving and handling / care activities"?
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3. For Question 9 of the request below, are you referring to the amount of money paid out in compensation / settlement costs to claimants in all cases, or only those relating to staff injured "whilst undertaking patient moving and handling / care activities"?
Compensation / settlement costs to claimants relating to staff injured "whilst undertaking patient moving and handling / care activities"?
4. For Question 10 of the request below, are you referring to the number of claims that were settled out of court in all cases, or only those relating to staff injured "whilst undertaking patient moving and handling / care activities"?
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Response

Please see attached for the response for NHS Borders:



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Data Complete.xlsx

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 **576-22** 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.