

Freedom of Information request 578-22

Request

1. What was your total spend with recruitment agencies on F1 Doctors during the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)
2. What was your total spend with recruitment agencies on F2 Doctors during the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)
3. How many F1 Doctors provided by agencies were used during the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent), and what was the average hourly charge rate to the trust?
4. How many F2 Doctors provided by agencies were used during the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent), and what was the average hourly charge rate to the trust?
5. What department(s) did the trust have F1 and/or F2 agency Doctors working in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)?
6. What was the average tenure of an F1 Doctor provided by an agency in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)?
7. What was the average tenure of an F2 Doctor provided by an agency in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)?
8. How many unfilled F1 and F2 Doctor posts did the trust have in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)?
9. How many F1 Doctors was the trust short of post allocation from HEE/local deanery in the financial years 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 (most recent)?

Response

Please find below the response for NHS Borders:

Question		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 most recent
1	Total spend with recruitment agencies on F1 Doctors	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
2	Total spend with recruitment agencies on F2 Doctors	£ 973.63	£ -	£ 30,400.00	£ 6,430.78	£ -
3	Number of F1 Doctors provided by agencies	0	0	0	0	0
	Average hourly charge rate to the trust	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	Number of F2 Doctors provided by agencies	1	0	1	2	0

	Average hourly charge rate to the trust	£ 52.63	N/A	£ 57.79	£ 63.05	N/A
5	Departments F1 and F2 agency Doctors worked in	General Medicine	N/A	General Medicine	Emergency Medicine & General Medicine	N/A
6	Average tenure of an F1 Doctor provided by an agency	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
7	Average tenure of an F2 Doctor provided by an agency	2 days	N/A	131 days	9 days	N/A
8	Number of unfilled F1 and F2 Doctor posts	0	1	0	0	2
9	Number of F1 Doctors NHS Borders was short of post allocation from HEE/local deanery	0	1	0	0	1

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 **578-22** 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.