

## Freedom of Information request 596-22

### Request

What is the longest recorded waiting for the following in your health board? Please provide for each calendar year since 2017, but also 2022 to date.

1. Upper Endoscopy
2. Lower Endoscopy (excl. Colonoscopy)
3. Colonoscopy
4. Cystoscopy
5. CT scan
6. MRI scan
7. Barium Studies
8. Non-Obstetric Ultrasound

### Response

The longest recorded waiting times (in days) within NHS Borders are:

		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 to 20.11.22
1	Upper Endoscopy	123	231	127	246	463	601
2	Lower Endoscopy excl. Colonoscopy	Not provided at NHS Borders					
3	Colonoscopy	197	186	223	308	339	356
4	Cystoscopy	286	156	238	261	332	352
5	CT	Not Held *	Not Held *	238	210	237	319
6	MRI	Not Held *	Not Held *	179	290	173	238
7	Barium Studies	Not Held *	Not Held *	68	319	182	243
8	Non-Obstetric Ultrasound	Not Held *	Not Held *	235	299	369	321

\* Please note that due to a change in radiology recording system, data is unavailable prior to 2019, therefore, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Also note, the increases since 2020 are due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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](mailto: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 **596-22** 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.