

## Freedom of Information request 673-22

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### Request

Under FOI, I would like to request information on NHS Scotland's Pride Badge initiative, which was launched in June 2021.

Can you please tell me:

1. how many badges have been acquired by the health board, since the scheme's launch?
2. how much money did the health board spend on these badges?
3. how many individual staff members signed up to the pride badge initiative, took the 'pride pledge', and were given a badge since the scheme's launch?

### Response

1. NHS Borders have acquired 760 badges since the launch.
2. NHS Borders have spent a total of £1108.08 on purchasing NHS Scotland Pride Badges.
3. 614 members of NHS Borders staff have currently signed up to the NHS Scotland Pride Pledge and have received their badge since the scheme's launch.

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 **673-22** 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.