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Freedom of Information request 228-23

Request

The amount spent on private healthcare provision by your Health Board over the past five years, broken down by financial year (18/19, 19/20, 20/21, 21/22, 22/23 year to date). If possible, please break this down by private providers indicating the types of services provided.

Response

Please find attached a breakdown of the amount spent by NHS Borders on healthcare carried out in private facilities:



The costs in the above table are for Extra Contractual Referral Requests where funding is approved on an individual case basis.

NOTES:

- Provider information is taken from the ECR database from the year when funding was approved
- The tabled information includes costs that have been directly invoiced to NHS Borders from the provider.
- The table information excludes any recharges that would be made from the local authority (Scottish Borders Council) where joint funding is agreed for private provider placements and those costs are re-charged across organisations.

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 **228-23** 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, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.