

## Freedom of Information request 327-23

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### Request

1. Does your health board have a dedicated Women's Health Lead and if so when were they appointed to this post or role, and what is their job description?
2. If your health board does have a dedicated Women's Health Lead was that a post that was filled through a recruitment process or by adding additional responsibility onto an existing employee, and if the latter, what was the original job title of the existing employee.

### Response

1. The role of Women's Health Lead currently falls within the remit of the Associate Director of Public Health – until 21 June 2023. Thereafter, the post holder is to be determined. There is no job description specific to the Women's Health Lead at this time and the date this was appointed is not available, therefore, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
2. This role has been covered by giving additional responsibility to existing roles. Dr Keith Allan is Associate Director of Public Health; Dr Sohail Bhatti is Director of Public Health. The job titles remain unchanged.

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 **327-23** 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 is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.