

Freedom of Information request 356-23

Request

I am keen to understand the number of "longest shifts" completed by NHS staff.

I recently submitted this FOI and I was told that the cost of the request would be excessive. As such, I have reworked my request to make it much narrower in focus, which I hope will mean that the requested information can be provided.

Can I request the following:

1. What was the longest continuous shift a registered nurse completed from 1 January 2023 to 30 April 2023?
2. How many registered nurses have worked a continuous shift of over 12 hours from 1 January 2023 to 30 April 2023?
3. What was the longest continuous shift a junior doctor completed from 1 January 2023 to 30 April 2023?
4. How many junior doctors have worked a continuous shift of over 12 hours from 1 January 2023 to 30 April 2023?

Response

1. The longest continuous shift a Registered Nurse completed between 1 January 2023 and 30 April 2023 was 14.75 hours.
2. Within NHS Borders, 25 Registered Nurses worked a continuous shift of over 12 hours between 1 January 2023 and 30 April 2023.
3. Junior Doctors are employed on a regional model and their information is updated to their employing Board's payroll and time and attendance system. Therefore, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
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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 **356-23** 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.