

Freedom of Information request 378-23

Request

1. The total locum agency spend for mental health nurses working in both acute settings and in primary care from January 2023 to latest data available.
2. Please provide the 10 highest amounts of money paid by the Health Board to a locum mental health nurse for working a single shift from January 2023 to latest data available.
3. Names of each agency used by the Health Board to provide locum mental health nurses from Jan 2023 to latest data available.
4. Total amount of money paid by the Health Board to each of those agencies noted in 3 above.

Response

1. There were no agency Nurses working in any NHS Borders Mental Health locations during the period January 2023 – April 2023, therefore, there was no spend.
2. N/A
3. N/A
4. N/A

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 **378-23** 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.