

## Freedom of Information request 485-23

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### Request

1. Do you accept referrals for currently serving Military Personnel (Regular) for an ADHD Assessment.
2. If the answer to (1) is "no", to what agency or service do you direct the serving military person to.
3. If the answer to (1) is "yes", how many referrals have you received, by year, for the last 5 years.
4. How many assessments for ADHD have you completed, by year, for the last 5 years, for currently serving Military Personnel
5. How many positive ADHD diagnosis have you made, by year, for the last 5 years, for currently serving Military Personnel.
6. Do you prioritise currently serving Military Personnel for an ADHD assessment.
7. What categories of people do you prioritise for an adult ADHD assessment.
8. What support do you offer to currently serving military personnel who you diagnose with ADHD
9. What is your current waiting time for all adult referrals for an ADHD Assessment.
10. How many Shared Care Agreements do you currently have for serving military personnel.

### Response

1. NHS Borders do accept referrals for Military Personnel for an ADHD assessment; however they would need to meet criteria for secondary care in mental health.
2. N/A
3. NHS Borders do not routinely record this information, therefore, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
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6. NHS Borders does not prioritise current serving Military Personnel for an ADHD assessment however an agreed covenant would be used if highlighted on referral and the criteria is met of secondary care in mental health.
7. NHS Borders does not prioritise categories of people for an adult ADHD assessment. Individuals are required to meet criteria for secondary care and would be prioritised through risk and agreed covenant.

8. If the patient met criteria for secondary mental health care, they would receive tailored support from the Community Mental Health Team. This may be from any member of the multi-disciplinary team, including Doctors, Psychologists, Nurses and Support Workers.
9. NHS Borders does not record referral information specific to ADHD – referrals are logged as Core Mental Health or Neurodevelopmental, therefore, this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
10. NHS Borders currently has no Shared Care Agreements in place for serving Military Personnel..

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 **485-23** 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.