

Freedom of Information request 489-23

Request

1. A breakdown of the total activity at private hospitals on behalf of the NHS Board, including outpatient appointments and procedures. For procedures, please provide a breakdown of what these were broken down by financial year 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 (or most recently available).
2. Please could you provide a breakdown of activity by each private hospital involved in the initiative broken down by financial year 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 (or most recently available).
3. Please could you provide a breakdown of the activity by each health board involved in the initiative broken down by financial year 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 (or most recently available).
4. Please could you provide the total cost of these procedures, broken down by each private health company and then broken down by financial year 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 (or most recently available).

Response

1. & 3. The following Waiting List Initiative activity has taken place at a private hospital on behalf of NHS Borders:

2019/20	Spire Healthcare	51	Orthopaedics	Hip / Knee Replacement
2020/21		-	-	-
2021/22		54	Orthopaedics	Hip / Knee Replacement
2022/23		154	Orthopaedics	Hip / Knee Replacement
2023/24 to June 2023		-	-	-

4. The total cost of these procedures is:

2019/20	Spire Healthcare	£ 309,932
2020/21		£ -
2021/22		£ 406,273
2022/23		£ 946,257
2023/24 to June 2023		£ -

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 **489-23** 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.