

**Freedom of Information request 530-23**

**Request**

Please can you provide the following information for the **public dental service(s) provided by your organisation for 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 unless otherwise stated.**

**1. Did your organisation provide a public dental service?**

**Yes, we did provide a public dental service. Please continue to Question 2.**

**No, we did not provide a public dental service. Please provide the name of the organisation that provides this service in your geographical area. You do not need to respond to the remainder of the questions in this FOIA request.**

**2. For each band please enter the relevant number corresponding to the column and row labels.**

*\*By WTE we mean 'whole time equivalent'. This is the total hours worked by all dentists divided by average hours worked by a full-time dentist. Please write '0' if there are no staff at a specific band.*

Band	Currently (today) how many dentists are employed by your organisation under Salaried primary dental care terms and conditions:		Currently how many dentist positions are vacant:	Between 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2021 to 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 how many (headcount):		
	headcount	WTE*	headcount	posts became vacant	vacant posts were advertised	vacant posts were filled. Please do not include partially filled positions
Vocational Dental Practitioner						
Dental Officer						
Senior Dental Officer						
Specialist Dental Officer						
Assistant Clinical Director						

Clinical Director or CADO						
Other dentist:						

## Response

1. Yes, NHS Borders did provide a public dental service.
2. Please find below the information for NHS Borders:

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	headcount	WTE*	headcount	posts became vacant	vacant posts were advertised	vacant posts were filled. Please do not include partially filled positions
Vocational Dental Practitioner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dental Officer	10	8.55	0	1	1	1
Senior Dental Officer	2	1.79	1	0	0	0
Specialist Dental Officer	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assistant Clinical Director	0	0	0	1	0	0
Clinical Director or CADO	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other dentist:	0	0	0	0	0	0

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 **530-23** 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.