

Freedom of Information request 588-23

Request

1. As of today's date, how many NHS hospitals in your area provide a Psychodermatology service on-site? Please name them.
2. As of today's date, how many patients with Eczema in your area have accessed NHS Psychodermatology services in the last 12 months (these might have been accessed outside of your area if you don't provide them)?
3. As of today's date, how many patients with Eczema are on the waiting list to access NHS Psychodermatology services (this might be for a service outside of your area)?
4. As of today's date, how long, on average, are patients with Eczema on the waiting list to access NHS Psychodermatology services (this might be for a service outside of your area)?
5. As of today's date, what % of patients with Eczema in your area currently accessing Psychodermatology services have to travel outside of the regional NHS health board in which they live to access them?
6. As of today's date, how far, on average, are patients with Eczema having to travel, in miles, from their home address to access the Psychodermatology service that they have been referred to?
7. As of today's date, which skin conditions (top 5) were the most commonly referred to Psychodermatology services in the last 12 months? Please rank them 1-5.

Response

1. NHS Borders do not provide a Psychodermatology service.
2. This information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
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7. 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 **588-23** 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.