

Freedom of Information request 283-23

Request

Can you provide the figures per year since 2010, and also split per specialism (eg: nephrology, rheumatology, dermatology, neurology, etc...), for :

1. The number of vasculitis patients treated.
2. The number of deaths of vasculitis patients.
3. The number of patients treated (for any conditions per specialism).
4. The number of deaths (for any conditions per specialism).
5. The number of consultants that treated vasculitis patients.
6. The number of consultants in each specialism.

I am only looking for numbers to compare against vasculitis conditions, so for example, if there were no cases of vasculitis treated by ENT, then no need for any ENT figures.

Response

1. The number of NHS Borders inpatient episodes for Vasculitis is shown in the attached spreadsheet.
2. No patient died in an NHS Borders hospital with a main diagnosis of Vasculitis.
3. The number of NHS Borders inpatients discharged for any condition within the specialism is shown in the attached spreadsheet.
4. The number of NHS Borders inpatient deaths for any condition within the specialism is shown in the attached spreadsheet.
5. The number of NHS Borders Consultants who treated Vasculitis patients within the specialism is shown in the attached spreadsheet.
6. The number of Consultants in each specialism is available in the public domain from the website [Official Statistics on the workforce of NHS Scotland](#). The information is available on the report accessed by this link: [NHS Scotland workforce | Turas Data Intelligence](#)



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Data.xlsx

As the number of events in some areas are very small and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Official Statistics any number that is less than five, actual numbers and potentially identifiable information is withheld to help maintain patient confidentiality due to potential risk of disclosure. Further information is available in the [ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol](#).

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 **283-23** 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.