## **Information Governance**

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Dear Karin Goodwin

## Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

I refer to your e-mail dated 22 December 2021, requesting:

over the last five years. I would like to know:

- How many people have requested access to residential drug and alcohol rehabs in the following financial years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 as well as 2020/21 and 2021 to present
- Which residential rehabs services are open to those living in your health board area?
- How many people in your health board area were funded to attend rehab in the following financial years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 as well as 2020/21 and 2021 to present
- Can you confirm the number of times funding was refused for rehab in the following financial years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 as well as 2020/21 and 2021 to present
- How much was spent on residential rehab in your local authority area in the following years: 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15 as well as 2020/21 and 2021 to present
- From which budget line is this funding pulled? [ie health/LA social work etc]

If this request is unclear in any way, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Freedom of Information Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it?

If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, I ask that you supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement and remind you that information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

I can now respond as follows:

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In relation to all the above questions NHS Grampian can advise that residential rehabilitation is managed by the respective Council areas who may hold this information; s.17 of the Act refers – Information not held.

Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Grampian has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

## **OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE**

A request for review must be made within 40 working days and should, in the first instance, be in writing to: Directorate of Corporate Communications, Foresterhill House, Foresterhill, Aberdeen, AB25 2ZB or by email to <a href="mailto:gram.foi@nhs.scot">gram.foi@nhs.scot</a>

Requests for appeal can be made by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's online service at <a href="www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal">www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal</a> or should be made in writing to: Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS Telephone: 01334 464610, Fax: 01334 464611.

If you remain dissatisfied following an appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner your recourse is to the Court of Session on a point of law.

Yours sincerely

**Roohi Bains** 

**Information Governance Manager & Deputy DPO NHS Grampian**