

Dear

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – BOTULINUM TOXIN

I write in response to your request for information in relation to botulinum toxin services in NHS Lothian.

### Question:

1. How Botulinum Toxin injection clinics in Neurology (excluding migraine) are coded within your Trust (e.g., outpatient follow-up, procedure, day case procedure, etc.).
2. The current tariff your Trust receives for administering Botulinum Toxin injections in Neurology (excluding migraine).
3. How Botulinum Toxin injection clinics in Rehabilitation Medicine are coded within your Trust (e.g., outpatient follow-up, procedure, day case procedure, etc.).
4. The current tariff your Trust receives for administering Botulinum Toxin injections in Rehabilitation Medicine clinics.
5. Has there been a change in how the trust is commissioning Neurological and Rehabilitation toxins services from April 2025 compared to 2024?
6. The name and contact details (email or phone number, if available) of the most appropriate person within your Trust to discuss these services further, as Ipsen would like to explore how we can provide support to help sustain and future-proof these essential services.

### Answer:

The questions you have asked refer to the clinical commissioning system in NHS England. This does not apply in NHS Scotland. NHS Lothian does not receive a tariff for administering botulinum toxin injections, as the health board is funded overall by a population based formula.

For further information on how health boards are funded in NHS Scotland, please see the Public Health Scotland website here: <https://publichealthscotland.scot/healthcare->

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I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at <https://www.foi.scot/appeal>. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the reviewer at the address at the top of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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