# Lothian NHS Board

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# Dear

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION - RIVERSIDE MEDICAL PRACTICE

I write in response to your request for information in relation to Riverside Medical Practice, NHS Lothian.

#### Question:

1. Please provide the total amount of NHS funding paid to Riverside Medical Practice for the most recent financial year available.

#### Answer:

The income for Riverside Medical Practice for 2024/25 was £3.49 million. This was through the General Medical Services Contract.

#### Question:

2. Please provide the number of GP partners or equivalent managing clinicians operating under the contract with NHS Lothian during that same period.

#### Answer:

Four.

### Question:

3. Please provide any available information on how this funding is distributed within the practice, specifically: a) whether GP partners receive a fixed salary or a share of profits; b) the total profit declared by the practice (if available) and how this was allocated to partners.

# Answer:

This information is not held by NHS Lothian. GP practices are independent contractors, and are responsible for their own decisions on payment of salaries and profits. GP practices are individually subject to the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act, so you can request this information directly from the Riverside Medical Practice.

# Question:

4. Please provide any publicly held or published documentation regarding the remuneration model for GP partners at Riverside Medical Practice (e.g. practice contracts, governance statements).











#### Answer:

There is no published information specifically about the remuneration model for GP Partners at the Riverside Practice. I am not able to disclose information such as practice contracts, as disclosure of information would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the GP Practice, and is therefore exempt under section 33(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, which provides exemption for commercial interest and the economy.

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 <a href="https://www.foi.scot/appeal">https://www.foi.scot/appeal</a>. 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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