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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION - GP EMAIL

I write in response to your request for information in relation to GP email addresses.

Question:

 I am emailing from Dears Pharmacy and Travel Clinic. I am trying to collate doctors' emails for our pharmacies and to try and help our IPs to get quicker access to the doctors' surgeries we use. I was looking to see if you could send over an excel sheet or pdf with the doctors surgeries and their correlating emails.

This is due to the fact that our IPs often change locations therefore will have to use different surgeries regularly. Any help or advice on this would be greatly appreciated as a freedom of information.

Answer:

I must advise that most GP Practices are independent contractors and this information is not NHS Lothian's to release. It is also the case that the information requested is business sensitive and it would not be appropriate for us to release without the consent of the individual practices.

A list of GP practices in Lothian is Enclosed. Most GPs are independent contractors and will have a practice website with contact details. This information is available on NHS Inform and can be accessed via our website https://services.nhslothian.scot/gps/

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 www.itspublicknowledge.info/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 FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

FOI responses (subject to redaction of personal information) may appear on NHS Lothian's Freedom of Information website at: https://org.nhslothian.scot/FOI/Pages/default.aspx

Yours sincerely

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