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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – CAMHS VACANCIES

I write in response to your request for information in relation to CAMHS vacancies.

Question:

1. A complete list of CAMHS vacancies currently open in NHS Lothian.
Please provide for each vacancy the name of the position and how many days the vacancy has been open for.
Please note that websites do not provide all of that info, so I would appreciate the board providing it.
2. The total number of CAMHS positions in NHS Lothian
3. The total number of those CAMHS positions that are currently filled/occupied.
Please provide the number (please also provide it as a percentage), that are currently occupied and the number (please also provide it as a percentage) that aren't occupied.

Answer:

The below link and instructions should answer this FOI.

[NHSScotland CAMHS | Turas Data Intelligence](#)

Instructions:

Question 1 & 2

- Select Establishments in the left hand side menu.
- Select board and profession along the top menu.

Question 3.

- In March 2026:
 - In post - 287.7WTE
 - Vacancies - 10.7WTE
 - 277WTE of the 298.4WTE CAMHS positions are filled in NHS Lothian which is 96.4% of the total number of CAMHS positions.

We are unable to centrally identify how long these vacancies have been open for.

I hope the publicly available information 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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