

NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 15 December 2021.

NHS Tayside wishes to advise you that there are exemptions applicable to the information requested. Please refer to the exemptions section of this correspondence.

Extract from Request

Q1. I hereby request the health board to release the number of medical exemptions granted for the Covid vaccinations?

Response

Due to the small numbers of patients involved, the statistics below have been provided as 'less than five'. Further detail cannot be provided as disclosure of the information may lead to the identification of individuals.

NHS Tayside submitted less than five exemptions to the Scottish Government in September 2021, and have requested less than five, 6 month temporary medical exemptions in December 2021. Please note going forward all exemption requests are going direct to National Services Scotland, and NHS Tayside would not be informed of the outcome of these.

Exemptions Section – application of Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 exemptions and Data Protection Act 2018 Principles.

Document Ref.	FOISA Exemption Applied	Justification
IGTFOISA10138	Section 38(1)(b) – Personal Information	Information relating to an individual is personal information. Disclosure of information which would allow the identification of individuals would be in breach of confidentiality and Data Protection principles.



Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
Response to correspondence dated 15 December 2021
Request: Covid Vaccine Medical Exemptions
Reference: IGTFOISA10138



Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside 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 Commission.

A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and sent to:

Head of Information Governance and Cyber Assurance
Maryfield House (South)
30 Mains Loans
Dundee
DD4 7BT

Or by email to tay.foisa@nhs.scot

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner, within 6 months of the date of any review, for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

If you have any queries about this correspondence, please contact:

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