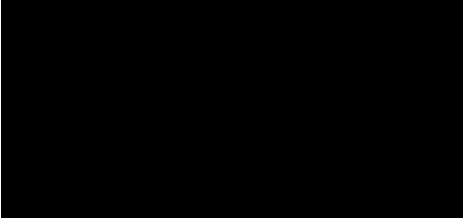


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Freedom of Information Reference: **FOI-2023-000361 - Methylphenidate XL**

I refer to your freedom of information request that we received on 01 October 2023 requesting the following information.

Could you Please provide the below data under the FOI.

- 1. Methylphenidate XL - brands approved to use in UK (to treat ADHD)**
- 2. The most frequent dispensed, out of the above, Pharmaceutical for ADHD in Scotland/ Aberdeen/ Aberdeenshire region**
- 3. Prices ranges for the above - per concentration (18, 36, 54) .**

I can advise you that we have now completed the search of our records and can provide you with the following information:

1. Methylphenidate XL - brands approved to use in UK (to treat ADHD)

The available brands in the UK are listed in the British National Formulary (BNF)
<https://bnf.nice.org.uk/drugs/methylphenidate-hydrochloride/>

2. The most frequent dispensed, out of the above, Pharmaceutical for ADHD in Scotland/ Aberdeen/Aberdeenshire region

Under section 17 of the Freedom of information Act, 2002 (FOISA) an organisation does not have to provide that information if it does not hold that information. NHS National Services Scotland (NSS) does not hold this information as it would be held at individual Health Board level. If you wish to contact NHS Grampian this can be done using the following email address - gram.foi@nhs.scot

3. Price ranges for the above - per concentration (18, 36, 54)

Under Section 33(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act an organisation does not require to provide exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice substantially the commercial interests of any person (including, without prejudice to that generality, a Scottish public authority). This information requested is commercially sensitive as there is an ongoing framework.



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I trust you will find the information of assistance and if you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you are unhappy with any aspect of how we have dealt with your request, you can make representations to us asking us to review the handling of your request. Please write to the

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or at the email address nss.foi@nhs.scot within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

If after a review you are still unhappy, you also have the right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at Kinburn Castle, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS, or via their [online application form](#).

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me at the above address.

Yours sincerely

