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Information requested:

Please provide details of the commissioning arrangements for the State Hospital, ie details of who commissions your service.

Please provide a copy of the Service Specifications for High Secure Psychiatric Care in Scotland.

Response:

The State Hospitals Board for Scotland was constituted under section 2(1)(b) of the National Health Services (Scotland) Act 1978 and is funded by the Scottish Government.

Taking commissioning to mean the continual process of planning, agreeing and monitoring services, it is the Scottish Government that commissions our services.

The "Service Specifications for High Secure Psychiatric Care" (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/service-specification-high-secure-mental-health-services-adult.pdf>) excludes the high secure service for men in Scotland (section 1.1.3).

We have not located an equivalent document for our high security service for men in Scotland and therefore give notice under section 17 of FOISA that we do not hold the information requested.