NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 1 May 2019.

Extract from Request

“Please provide a list of the hospitals within the remit of NHS Tayside which have a Specialist Stroke Unit (by which we mean a stroke unit with a 24 hours a day/7 days a week available team with access to a scanner and operator capable of triage for thrombotic / hemorrhagic stroke identification and location, presence of readily available infusion products and neurologist on call and follow up care). In respect of each Specialist Stroke Unit on the list that you provide, please include:

1. The address of the Stroke Unit;
2. Their emergency telephone number (or, where there is no such number available, a telephonenumber for the hospital switchboard on which the relevant Stroke Unit may be contacted); and
3. If the capability to use surgical techniques to remove some thromboses via catheter is available in the relevant Specialist Stroke Unit (or if only available in certain more specialised stroke units please identify the units where such techniques are available).”

Response

1. NHS Tayside has specialised stroke Units at Perth Royal Infirmary (PRI) and Ninewells Hospital with access to scanning and a team available to triage for thrombotic / hemorrhagic stroke identification, location and treatment.

   The Stroke specialist team/neurologist is available Monday to Friday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm. Outwith these hours the 24/7 General physicians or Emergency Medicine Physicians provide this service.

   We therefore meet all the requester's criteria except 24/7 access to Stroke Physician/Neurologist.

   Perth Royal Infirmary         Ninewells Hospital
   Taymount Terrace,         James Arnott Drive
   Perth,                  Dundee
   PH11NX                    DD2 1SY

2. Telephone number for both Ninewells Hospital is 01382 660111.

3. There is no Thrombectomy Service in Scotland at present and this service is therefore not available to any patients in Scotland.

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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 addressed to:**

Tayside NHS Board Secretary  
Tayside NHS Board Headquarters  
Ninewells Hospital & Medical School  
Dundee  
DD1 9SY

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

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

Or via the online appeal service: [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal)

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Information Governance, NHS Tayside, 21 May 2019