

## Freedom of Information Request

**Request:**

I would be grateful for a copy of your (or general NHS) detailed guidance to PCTs on the handling of 24 hour retirement for Type 1 Medical Practitioners, setting out the factors which PCTs should consider before agreeing to re-employment and the evidence of actual retirement (eg withdrawal from any existing partnership agreements) which GPs must provide.

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Under section 21 of the Act, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you.

This information you have enquired about is already in the public domain. Here may I explain that NHS Pensions regularly keeps NHS employers updated on pensions issues by issuing Employer (Technical) Newsletters. These Newsletters are placed on NHS Pensions' website. The most recent Newsletter that makes reference to '24 hour retirement' is Newsletter 14/2006 issued on 15 August 2006. This Newsletter can be perused at

<http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/Pensions/2501.aspx>