

**Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002**  
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**Question/s to be answered**

1. Please provide a list of the currently vacant GP posts in the salaried practices in your health board area which have been advertised on more than one occasion (i.e. been re-advertised).

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2. How many times has each post been advertised?

1 vacancy advertised 4 times

3. Each time it was advertised, how many applications were received?

0 on 3 occasions and 1 on another occasion

4. What is the longest that any currently vacant GP post in a salaried practice has been unfilled and where is this vacancy?

8 months from date of vacancy approval, in Yell

5. Please provide a position statement for each salaried GP practice in your health board area which is currently experiencing recruitment difficulties. For example, how many vacancies are there at each of these practices, how long has the recruitment process been underway, what impact has this had on the services available to patients?

1 x vacancy in Yell, advertising since March 21

1 x vacancy in Lerwick, recently advertised and closed with no applications

1 x vacancy in Unst, currently being advertised

We provide locum cover to single handed practices to ensure continuity of service. In our larger practice, Lerwick, we have been unable to recruit to a fixed term post and are therefore looking at alternative options, which are still being explored.