| Police Scotland logo | Freedom of Information ResponseOur reference: FOI 25-1726Responded to: 18 June 2025 |
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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

**When did your organisation know that healthcare trusts especially NHS Grampian were giving unlicensed drugs like Dihydrocodeine to detainees without consent.**

**When did your organisation know that contrary to the controlled drugs act, that prescribing was done remotely especially in Grampian, by unqualified staff without a written prescription, or medical examination.**

**When did your organisation know that other members of the general public received their prescribed Methadone without summary suspension as part of a police investigation, who were not placed in custody was this a pre charge punishment.**

**When did your organisation know that healthcare trusts, especially NHS Grampian were violating detainees basic human rights, especially Articles 3 and 14.**

**Does your organisation have a duty to uphold human rights, particularly within Scotland and the wider public sector. Does the SPA not have a responsibility to eliminate discrimination, promote equality and above all, to monitor and stop torture, inhumane or degrading treatment of detainees in police custody in Scotland.**

**What has your organisation done to stop discriminatory treatment of detainees, not my words but those of Angela Constance MSP then Minister for Drugs and Alcohol Policy. She used those words, whilst speaking to the Citizens Participation and Public Petition Committee.**

**Does your organisation know that your organisation believes there is no place in Scotland for the torture, degrading or inhumane treatment of individuals in Scotland is never acceptable.**

I must advise the information sought is not held by Police Scotland and section 17 of the Act therefore applies.

By way of explanation, as you may be aware, the Act provides a right of access to recorded information only.  Questions seeking the creation of comment or opinion in relation to a particular query, are not therefore valid in terms of [section 8 of the Act](https://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2002/13/section/8).

We must also advise that the provision of medical care within Police Scotland custody facilities is the responsibility of the NHS.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by email or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by email or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.