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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Mental Health attendances to A&E 2016-2017.

Between the 1st January 2016- 1st January 2017 how many people were seen in a mental health crisis or because of self-harm in accident and emergency?

Please note: A&E departments will deal with the issue at hand, e.g. a cut, which would be coded as such, but if that cut is as a result of self-harming then this would not get coded and we are unable to pull this information electronically. Similarly we cannot identify any substance misuse as this would be coded as poisoning and we are unable to see which is mental health related electronically. The coding used for this response is 35 (mental health) or 37 (social Problems). Code 37 stopped being used mid July 2016 and the Trust has no other way of capturing the data as now in a more general code

| | 35 | 37* | Grand Total | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2016 | 1516 | 497 | | 2013 |
| Jan | 128 | 84 | | 212 |
| Feb | 116 | 80 | | 196 |
| Mar | 135 | 69 | | 204 |
| Apr | 121 | 64 | | 185 |
| May | 134 | 67 | | 201 |
| Jun | 105 | 83 | | 188 |
| Jul | 137 | 50 | | 187 |
| Aug | 130 | | | 130 |
| Sep | 114 | | | 114 |
| Oct | 152 | | | 152 |
| Nov | 128 | | | 128 |
| Dec | 116 | | | 116 |
| Grand Total | 1516 | 497 | | 2013 |

