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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 Dental health attendances at A&E.

You asked:

1) In the financial year 2018-19, how many patients presented at your A&E departments (to include major A&E departments, minor injuries units and walk-in centres) with dental health problems?
Of these:
a) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, how many received treatment at the hospital during that visit?
b) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, can the numbers please be broken down by type of problem e.g. toothache, loss of teeth, bleeding from the mouth.
c) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, can the numbers please be broken down by age of the patient e.g. 0-9, 10-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90+
d) Of the patients presenting with dental health problems, how many were not registered with an NHS dentist?
2) Can we please get the figures above, but for the following financial years (separately):
2014-15
2015-16
2016-17
2017-18
2019-20 to Jan 1st 2020.

Trust response:

The system used in our A&E departments does not have the detailed coding needed to answer this request. The code used in the department is facio-maxilliary which includes dental, broken jaws, broken noses sinusitis etc.