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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 Pregablin.

- *The total number of patients attending the hospital where the use/overuse of the drug Pregablin is given as reason/part of the reason for their condition/attendance. Please provide figures for 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2016/17 and 2017/18 to date.*
- *Please provide the same figures for the number of patients admitted where the use/overuse of the drug Pregablin is given as reason/part of the reason for their condition/admittance. Please provide figures for 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2016/17 and 2017/18 to date.*
- *Please provide the total number of bed days taken by the above patients during the same time scale.*
- *Please provide the estimated average cost to the hospital/trust of an attendance at A&E.*
- *Please provide the estimated average cost to the hospital/trust of a day in a ward bed.*

This information is not recorded in a reportable format as Pregablin does not appear on the Trust high cost drugs list so it is not coded.

The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider your request. The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 3½ working days in determining whether the Trust holds the information, locating, retrieving and extracting the information. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 the Trust is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.