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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 patients with no fixed abode.

*You asked:*

- 1. Please provide the total number of A&E attendances by patients of No Fixed Abode/Address for each of the financial years from 2011/12 to 2021/2022.*
- 2. Please also provide the number of these individuals (as outlined in Q1) who were admitted with a primary/secondary diagnosis of drug poisoning.*
- 3. Please provide the total number of hospital admissions by patients of No Fixed Abode/Address for each of the same financial years.*
- 4. Please also provide the number of these individuals (as outlined in Q3) who were admitted with a primary/secondary diagnosis of drug poisoning.*

Trust response:

1. The Trust does not hold clinical data from more than five years ago. The earliest A&E data we have is 2018, however using no fixed abode or NFA in the address details the earliest record is July 2021.

Financial Year	Attendances
2021/22	98
2022/23	169

2. Drug poisoning does not have a specific Snomed code which would allow us to gather the information electronically. It may be possible that this information has been entered into the patient record but in order to confirm this each patient record would need to be manually checked by a staff member. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of 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 this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.

3. Inpatient admissions - The Trust does not hold clinical data from more than five years ago. The earliest admission is in the 2019/2020 financial year.

Financial Year	Admissions
2019/20	71
2020/21	47
2021/22	36
2022/23	72

4. Drug poisoning does not have a specific ICD10 code which would allow us to gather the information electronically. We do code poisoning but this would also include things such as pesticides and alcohol. It may be possible that this information has been entered into the patient record but in order to confirm this each patient record would need to be manually checked by a staff member. The Trust has estimated that it will cost more than the appropriate limit to consider this part of 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 this part of your request and we will not be processing this part of your request further.