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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 psychedelic substances.

You asked: All questions are shown as received by the Trust.

1) How many times 'microdosing' psychedelic substances was included as a reason for hospital admissions in your trust in 2022, 2023 and 2024 to date.

2) How many times the consumption of psychedelic substances in any quantity was included as a reason for hospital admissions in your trust in 2022, 2023 and 2024 to date.

Such substances include but are not limited to:

- Magic Mushrooms (e.g. Psilocybin)*
- MDMA*
- LSD*
- DMT*
- Ayahuasca (e.g. Harmaline)*
- Salvia*

Please break this down by drug, year and patient age.

Trust response:

1. This information is not available in a reportable format as Micro-dosing is not coded. We are unable to provide this information.

2.

| Discharges by drug category | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Count of Internal Number | Calendar Year | | | |
| Flag description | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Grand Total |
| Psychedelic substances (inc magic mushrooms, DMT, Ayajuasca) | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| MDMA | 34 | 25 | 12 | 71 |
| LSD | | 1 | | 1 |
| Salvia | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Grand Total | 36 | 30 | 13 | 79 |

| Discharges by drug category and age | | | | | |
|---|-------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Count of Internal Number | | Calendar Year | | | |
| Flag description | Age | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | Grand Total |
| Psychedelic substances (inc magic mushrooms, DMT, Ayajuasca) | 11-17 years | | 1 | | 1 |
| | 31-50 years | 1 | | | 1 |
| Psychedelic substances (inc magic mushrooms, DMT, Ayajuasca) Total | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| MDMA | 6-10 years | 1 | | | 1 |
| | 11-17 years | 10 | 4 | 3 | 17 |
| | 18-30 years | 10 | 13 | 7 | 30 |
| | 31-50 years | 8 | 5 | 1 | 14 |
| | 51-75 years | 5 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| MDMA Total | | 34 | 25 | 12 | 71 |
| LSD | 11-17 years | | 1 | | 1 |
| LSD Total | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Salvia | 11-17 years | | 1 | | 1 |
| | 31-50 years | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| | 51-75 years | | 1 | | 1 |
| Salvia Total | | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Grand Total | | 36 | 30 | 13 | 79 |