



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-338

Date: 8th September 2023

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 29th August 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding overdose.

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, could you please provide me with the following information relating to the drug overdose admissions in your hospital.
1. The hospitals in your Trust?

A1 As per paragraph above

Q2 How many admissions related to drug overdose for year 2022 and from January to July 2023?

A2 765

Q3 What are the most common drug overdose cases admitted in your hospital? Over the counter, prescribed or recreational drugs.

A3 Information not held.

Q4 How many patients admitted for drug overdose received medical treatment at a ward level?

A4 765

Q5 How many patients admitted for drug overdose required admission to the intensive care unit for advanced medical intervention such as mechanical ventilation and continuous renal replacement therapy?

A5 16

Q6 What is the average length of stay for those patients admitted for drug overdose in your ITU?

A6 15 days

Q7 What is the total number of deaths related to drug overdose in your hospital?

A7 12

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,

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