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Corporate Services
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Dear

I refer to your Freedom of Information Act Request acknowledged by ourselves on 20th July 2020. Your request sought information relating to drug overdoses and self-harm.

You clarified on 20th July 2020 that you were looking for information relation to patients presenting at our Emergency Department or admitted as an inpatient with the below presenting complaints.

1. How many hospital admissions where recorded where drug use was a contributing factor between March 23rd – June 23rd 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

| Period | Drug abuse |
|---------------------|------------|
| 23.03.15 - 23.06.15 | 127 |
| 23.03.16 - 23.06.16 | 74 |
| 23.03.17 - 23.06.17 | 83 |
| 23.03.18 - 23.06.18 | 72 |
| 23.03.19 - 23.06.19 | 92 |
| 23.03.20 - 23.06.20 | 106 |

2. How many hospital admissions where recorded where self-harm was a contributing factor between March 23rd – June 23rd 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020?

| Period | Self-Harm |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 23.03.15 - 23.06.15 | 689 |



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| 23.03.16 - 23.06.16 | 696 |
| 23.03.17 - 23.06.17 | 775 |
| 23.03.18 - 23.06.18 | 754 |
| 23.03.19 - 23.06.19 | 787 |
| 23.03.20 - 23.06.20 | 539 |

3. How many hospital admissions where recorded where an intentional or accidental overdose was a contributing factor between March 23rd – June 23rd 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 ,2019 and 2020?

| Period | Overdose |
|---------------------|----------|
| 23.03.15 - 23.06.15 | 636 |
| 23.03.16 - 23.06.16 | 565 |
| 23.03.17 - 23.06.17 | 621 |
| 23.03.18 - 23.06.18 | 616 |
| 23.03.19 - 23.06.19 | 637 |
| 23.03.20 - 23.06.20 | 511 |

I hope this information is helpful. If you require anything further please contact us at FOIA.Requests@wales.nhs.uk.

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner’s Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 029 2067 8400.

Yours sincerely



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