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You asked

The number of A&E attendances for snake bites for the following 5 calendar years, broken down into age groups -children and adults:

1. 1st Jan 2016 - 31 Dec 2016
2. 1st Jan 2015 - 31 Dec 2015
3. 1st Jan 2014 - 31 Dec 2014
4. 1st Jan 2013 - 31 Dec 2013
5. 1st Jan 2012- 31 Dec 2012

Our reply

The Trust does not hold the information. We do not have a pre-defined code/set diagnosis used to record 'Snake Bite' within the Emergency Department system and therefore any data provided would be unreliable in this instance. The list of available diagnosis within the Emergency Department system map to national code sets so that data collected nationwide can be compared and aggregated to provide an accurate picture of the complexity and acuity of all emergency attendances. Unfortunately 'Snake Bite' is not included within this code set and therefore we are unable to provide the data.