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Freedom of Information Act Disclosure log - Reply Extract

You asked

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

I want to source the information below relating to smoking cessation. If you are able to respond to these questions it would be greatly appreciated.

Please note that the timeframes referenced below cover the calendar year (Jan-Dec). However, if your data covers the financial year (Apr-Mar) please let us know when providing the data.

FOI request:

Q1. How many children have been given smoking cessation treatments by your Trust over the last three years?

	2016	2017	2018
Those aged under 12			
Aged 12			
Aged 13			
Aged 14			
Aged 15			
Aged 16			
Aged 17			
Aged 18			

The Trust does not record this information within any electronic system that allows us to calculate age groups in each year. The information may be held in paper-based clinical records, but the Trust could not locate, extract and collate the information requested within the appropriate limit. See legal notes below.

Q2. Please provide a breakdown of the number of different types of cessation aids prescribed to children over the last three years:

As above, the Trust does not hold the information requested.

In compliance with section 16 (advice and assistance), we are providing the number of items issued to all age groups in each year.

		2016	2017	2018
Nicotine replacement therapy	Gum (pieces)	5461	6326	12206
	Inhalators (packs)	229	597	1200
	Lozenges (lozenge)	3156	10700	45657
	Patches (patch)	13068	17711	31366
	Spray (pack)	97	60	148
Varenicline (Champix)		282 tablets	392 tablets	515 tablets
Bupropion (Zyban)		0	60 tablets	60 tablets

Legal Notes:

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust (UPHT) is confirming in accordance with section 1 (a) of the Act that it does not hold the information requested in a collated format. Individual records of how someone was treated and their conditions would be held in clinical records, but the Trust could not locate, extract and collate such information as requested within the limitations of the Act. Based on a rate of £25 per hour, in accordance with the Fees Regulations, we estimate that it will cost in excess of £450 to locate, retrieve and extract the information you have requested. This sum exceeds the appropriate limit of £450 as defined in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

It is therefore considered exempt from supply in accordance with section 12(1) of the Act – Request exceeds the appropriate limit by virtue of section 13.-(1)(a) – The Cost of Compliance exceeds the appropriate limit.

Attachments included: No