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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/012083

With reference to your FOI request in connection with 'Eating disorders' please see response below.

Please note:

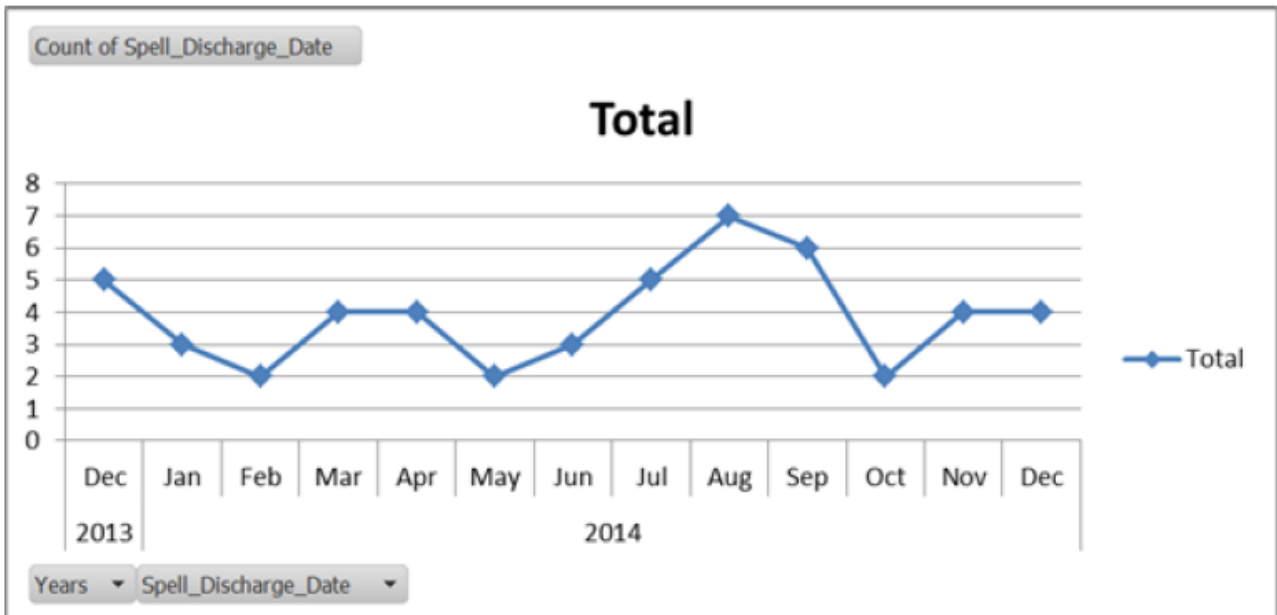
The Dudley Group NHS FT is an Acute Trust and as such would rarely admit patients specifically for treating eating disorders; patients would normally be admitted to a mental health trust. The clinical coding system can identify patients who may have an eating disorder amongst other diagnoses BUT cannot identify whether the specific condition the patient has been admitted for is as a consequence of their eating disorder.

A breakdown of figures regarding hospital admissions related to eating disorders between December 2013 and December 2014.

A total of 33 patients were admitted on 51 occasions where an eating disorder was present. 2 patients were admitted where this was specifically the condition being treated.

A statement – if available – regarding any particular time of the year that these numbers peak – for instance, whether there is a notable rise over the Christmas period.

There is no noticeable relationship to the Christmas period. Numbers per month are in the range 2 - 7. These numbers are relatively low and it is difficult to suggest at such levels that any peak bears any statistically valid relationship to another variable such as Christmas. That being said there is a small peak in August 2014.



A breakdown of patients that have been admitted for illnesses relating to eating disorders by gender.

Of the 33 patients there were 4 male and 29 female patients

The number of how many patients that were admitted for illnesses relating to eating disorders and who were discharged the same day.

Of the 51 admissions 23 were discharged on the same day as admission

The number of how many patients that have been admitted for illnesses relating to eating disorders that were in hospital for longer than six months.

0 patients stayed in the Trust longer than 6 months.