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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/014243 - High energy drinks / caffeine overdose

Under the Freedom of Information Act can you provide me with the following information:

1) The number of under 16s who have been admitted in each of the past five years, broken down by year for suspected overdose from high energy drinks/accidental caffeine overdose from high energy drinks?

2) Of those can you tell me, by year how many people were admitted by A&E?

There is no clinical code for overdose from high energy drinks so a report cannot be run for this information but there is a code for caffeine overdose and in the years requested there were 13 patients admitted with caffeine overdose.

Due to the low numbers, the numbers have been grouped together. All 13 were admitted from A&E. The information on whether caffeine overdose was accidental or not would be held in individual patient notes but they are not accessible under the FOI Act.