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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/014190 - Munchausen's by Proxy

I am looking for information held by the trust showing numbers of fabricated or induced illness (Fii)/ Munchausen's by Proxy recorded by the trust. Ideally I would like to know how these numbers have changed over the past five years.

Please provide me with numbers of

a) suspected Fii cases

Data not held. The Trust is not aware of clinical coding that can identify Fii.

b) Fii cases formally registered with child protection for each year 2013 to 2018 (to date).

Data not held for Fii.

The Trust holds a clinical coding code for Munchausen's by Proxy F68.1.

Due to the very low numbers in each year, to avoid any harm or distress to any of our patients, once the information is presented into the public domain via our disclosure log, the Trust has amalgamated the figures in its response.

The Trust has run a report using code F68.1 and diagnosis codes 1- 24 which has returned less than 5 patients for each year 2013 - 2018 with a grand total of 7 patients presenting over the years 2013 - 2018