Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request Ref: NGFOI 18/19: 525

Thank you for your request for information received at Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust (NGH) on 09/01/19.

Unfortunately we are unable to provide you with the information requested as:

- How many prescriptions were given out to patients under the age of 18 for Ketamin or Fentanyl in 2018?

- How many prescriptions were given out to patients under the age of 18 for Ketamin or Fentanyl in 2017?

- How many prescriptions were given out to patients under the age of 18 for Ketamin or Fentanyl in 2016?

- If these drugs are not prescribed please could I have the details for the number of children administered with the drugs by hospital staff in the years; 2018, 2017, 2016.

I can confirm on behalf of the Trust and in accordance with S.1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not collate the information you have requested in a centralised system. Our pharmacy does not hold a record of the administration of specific medicines to patients.

The required information would be recorded in the individual patient's notes. To extract this information, would require a manual review of each medical record; this would not be feasible as the time required to carry out this task would exceed the 18 hours allowed for a FOI request.

