

Ref: FOI/00361/CMICB
17 May 2023

Dear

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000
Drug Overdose / Spiking / Blood Clot Data**

Thank you for your information request indicated in bold below, which has now been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB). I am able to provide you with the following information and responses.

Your Request:

- 1) How many patients have been treated within your health board with symptoms of drug overdose in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023? Please provide a monthly breakdown of each of the years listed (January, February, March, etc).**
- 2) How many patients have been treated within your health board with symptoms of spiking in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023? Please provide a monthly breakdown of each of the years listed (January, February, March, etc).**

Our Response:

1 - 2) The data held by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB is not detailed enough to identify the number of patients who have been treated with symptoms of drug overdose or spiking between 2018 and 2023*.

Your Request:

- 3) How many drug-related deaths have been recorded in your health board in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023? Please provide a monthly breakdown of each of the years listed (January, February, March, etc).**
- 4) Please can you provide the number of deaths due to blood clots per age group for the years; 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. To specify, I would like the data to be separated in the following age groups, unless the data is already separated differently: Under 20 years old, under 30 years old, under 40 years old, under 50 years old, under 60 years old, under 70 years old, under 80 years old, 80 years old and above.**

Our Response:

3 – 4) Please find enclosed *FOI00361 Table*, which details the data held regarding the number of deaths due to blood clots between 2018 and 2022 in each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB, broken down by age groups.

The data held by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB is not detailed enough to identify drug-related deaths between 2018 and 2023*.

Please note that mortality data is published and publicly available via the Office for National Statistics website via the below link:

<https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/query/construct/summary.asp?mode=construct&version=0&dataset=161>

*You may wish to redirect your request for this information to the acute NHS Trusts in NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB's geographical area, which are listed below along with their contact details for Freedom of Information requests:

Alder Hey Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
FOIRequests@alderhey.nhs.uk

Countess of Chester NHS Foundation Trust
foi.enquiries@coch.nhs.uk

East Cheshire NHS Trust
ecn-tr.foirequests@nhs.net

Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital NHS Trust
FOIRequests@lhch.nhs.uk

Liverpool University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
FOIRequests@liverpoolft.nhs.uk

Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust
FOI@lwh.nhs.uk

Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
foi.foi@mcht.nhs.uk

Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust
soh-tr.foi@nhs.net

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
foirequests@sthk.nhs.uk

Warrington & Halton Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
WHH.FOI@nhs.net

Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
wih-tr.AccessToInformationOffice@nhs.net

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

We also wish to take this opportunity to inform you that, where you are not satisfied with the response to your request for information, a formal complaints and internal review process is available.

This can be formally requested by emailing foi@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk and must be done within a reasonable time period (3 calendar months) from the date this response was issued.

Where you remain dissatisfied with our review under the Freedom of Information Act or the Environmental Information Regulations, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted our complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at;

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF
www.ico.gov.uk

Should you need any further clarification or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us quoting the above FOI reference.

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Place Area	Age Band	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Cheshire	50-59	1		1	1	
	60-69		1	1	2	2
	70-79		1	2	1	1
	80-89		1		4	1
	90-100	1	2	1		3
Cheshire Total		2	5	5	8	7
Halton	40-49		1			
	50-59					1
	60-69			1		
	80-89		1			1
	90-100	1				
Halton Total		1	2	1		2
Knowsley	60-69			1		1
	70-79	1		2		1
Knowsley Total		1		3		2
Liverpool	30-39				1	1
	50-59	1	1			2
	60-69	1	1	1	2	2
	70-79	1	1	2	3	1
	80-89			1	2	1
	90-100		1	1		2
Liverpool Total		3	4	5	8	9
South Sefton	40-49			1		
	70-79		3	1		1
	90-100				1	
South Sefton Total			3	2	1	1
Southport and Formby	60-69	1	1			
	80-89			1		
	90-100	1				
Southport and Formby Total		2	1	1		
St Helens	50-59	1				
	60-69					2
	80-89				1	1
	90-100			2		1
St Helens Total		1		2	1	4
Warrington	50-59				1	
	70-79			1		
	80-89					1
Warrington Total				1	1	1
Wirral	40-49		1			
	50-59	2				
	60-69			2	1	
	70-79	2			1	1
	80-89				1	1
Wirral Total		4	1	2	3	2

Where underlying Cause of Death is one of the following:

ICD10 Code	ICD10 Description
I236	Thrombosis of atrium, auricular appendage, and ventricle as current complications following acute myocardial infarction
I240	Coronary thrombosis not resulting in myocardial infarction
I513	Intracardiac thrombosis, not elsewhere classified
I630	Cerebral infarction due to thrombosis of precerebral arteries
I633	Cerebral infarction due to thrombosis of cerebral arteries
I636	Cerebral infarction due to cerebral venous thrombosis, nonpyogenic
I676	Nonpyogenic thrombosis of intracranial venous system
I740	Embolism and thrombosis of abdominal aorta
I741	Embolism and thrombosis of other and unspecified parts of aorta
I742	Embolism and thrombosis of arteries of upper extremities
I743	Embolism and thrombosis of arteries of lower extremities
I744	Embolism and thrombosis of arteries of extremities, unspecified
I745	Embolism and thrombosis of iliac artery
I748	Embolism and thrombosis of other arteries
I749	Embolism and thrombosis of unspecified artery
I81X	Portal vein thrombosis
I822	Embolism and thrombosis of vena cava
I823	Embolism and thrombosis of renal vein
I828	Embolism and thrombosis of other specified veins
I829	Embolism and thrombosis of unspecified vein
O223	Deep phlebothrombosis in pregnancy
O225	Cerebral venous thrombosis in pregnancy
O871	Deep phlebothrombosis in the puerperium
O873	Cerebral venous thrombosis in the puerperium