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Dear Mr Buckwell,

## Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000 – our ref: FOI 19/20 572

I write in response to your request under the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act.

Please see the replies, set out against your questions, below:

Can you specify how many patients have been admitted by your Trust's A&E department as a result of vaping fluids laced with either cannabis, or derivatives like tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), or Spice and or similar synthetic cannabinoids, in the in each of the last five calendar years.\*

Can you also specify the total number of patients admitted as a result of vaping standard fluids, eg tobacco derivatives. \*

Can you also break this down by gender and the following age brackets: Under 16, Under 18, Under 25 and 26 and over. \*

\*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 hold the information you have requested in a centralised system. We can confirm that the amount of time required to extract and provide the information as requested would exceed the 18 hours permitted for an individual FOI request.

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Yours sincerely

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