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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/10/24.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

The number of A&E attendances linked to Novel Psychoactive Substances (NPS), formerly known as 'legal highs', since January 2012. Please provide figures broken down by month.
Please see table below:

Month/Year	Total
Jan-12	1
Feb-12	1
Mar-12	3
Apr-12	0
May-12	1
Jun-12	3
Jul-12	4
Aug-12	2
Sep-12	1
Oct-12	3
Nov-12	3
Dec-12	3
Jan-13	5
Feb-13	3
Mar-13	5
Apr-13	2
May-13	6
Jun-13	4
Jul-13	6
Aug-13	1
Sep-13	6
Oct-13	7

Nov-13	5
Dec-13	8
Jan-14	13
Feb-14	6
Mar-14	4
Apr-14	10
May-14	10
Jun-14	11
Jul-14	16
Aug-14	11
Sep-14	13
Oct-14	7
Nov-14	9
Dec-14	11
Jan-15	21
Feb-15	16
Mar-15	11
Apr-15	13
May-15	13
Jun-15	13
Jul-15	24
Aug-15	26
Sep-15	25
Oct-15	21
Nov-15	5
Dec-15	20
Jan-16	11
Feb-16	9
Mar-16	12
Apr-16	11
May-16	10
Jun-16	4
Jul-16	8
Aug-16	2
Sep-16	3
Oct-16	4
Nov-16	2
Dec-16	2
Jan-17	0
Feb-17	0
Mar-17	1
Apr-17	1
May-17	3
Jun-17	1
Jul-17	0

Aug-17	2
Sep-17	1
Oct-17	1

Please note that this data consists of using the following free text searches;
Legal high, NPS, Novel Psy and Psychoactive.

The number of A&E attendances linked to synthetic cannabinoids, also referred to as Spice or Black Mamba, since January 2012. Please provide figures broken down by month.

Please see table below:

Month/Year	Total
Jan-12	0
Feb-12	1
Mar-12	0
Apr-12	0
May-12	0
Jun-12	0
Jul-12	0
Aug-12	0
Sep-12	0
Oct-12	0
Nov-12	0
Dec-12	0
Jan-13	0
Feb-13	0
Mar-13	0
Apr-13	1
May-13	0
Jun-13	0
Jul-13	1
Aug-13	0
Sep-13	3
Oct-13	1
Nov-13	0
Dec-13	0
Jan-14	0
Feb-14	1
Mar-14	2
Apr-14	2
May-14	2
Jun-14	1
Jul-14	0
Aug-14	0
Sep-14	0
Oct-14	1

Nov-14	1
Dec-14	0
Jan-15	1
Feb-15	1
Mar-15	4
Apr-15	1
May-15	3
Jun-15	3
Jul-15	5
Aug-15	6
Sep-15	3
Oct-15	6
Nov-15	2
Dec-15	5
Jan-16	7
Feb-16	5
Mar-16	5
Apr-16	3
May-16	5
Jun-16	3
Jul-16	6
Aug-16	2
Sep-16	5
Oct-16	5
Nov-16	3
Dec-16	2
Jan-17	2
Feb-17	5
Mar-17	6
Apr-17	4
May-17	7
Jun-17	5
Jul-17	7
Aug-17	7
Sep-17	4
Oct-17	4

Please note that this data consists of using the following free text searches;
Synthetic canna, Black mamba, Mamba and Spice.

The number of emergency admissions linked to Novel Psychoactive Substances (NPS), formerly known as 'legal highs', since January 2012. Please provide figures broken down by month.

We are unable to answer this question as this would be recorded by the receiving hospital.

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We are unable to answer this question as this would be recorded by the receiving hospital.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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