Freedom of Information

Thank you for your 20/09/16 request for the following information, amended on 29/09/16:

This request relates to drug and alcohol related admissions of children. Please include cases where the relevant diagnoses were recorded as both the primary and secondary condition.

I) Broken down by each of the following calendar years a) 2012, b) 2013, c) 2014, d) 2015 and e) 2016 so far, please state the total number of children **aged under 13** admitted to hospitals in your trust due to:
1. the toxic effect of alcohol
2. mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol
3. poisoning by drugs, medicaments and biological substances
4. mental and behavioural disorders due to drug and psychoactive substance use
5. poisoning by antidepressants (subset of question 3)
6. poisoning by ecstasy (subset of question 3)

Answer: Please see table attached.

In accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 we are unable to provide figures where the number of patients is less than or equal to five and could risk the identification of those patients.

In these cases ≤5 is used to indicate that a figure between 1 and 5 is being suppressed. Also note that if only one cell required suppression, at least one other number has been suppressed to avoid calculation of suppressed values from the totals.

This follows HSCIC analysis guidance (2014) which states that small numbers within local authorities, wards, postcode districts, CCG’s providers and Trusts may allow identification of patients and should not be published.

II) Broken down by each of the following calendar years a) 2012, b) 2013, c) 2014, d) 2015 and e) 2016 so far, please state the total number of children **aged 13-15** admitted to hospitals in your trust due to:
1. the toxic effect of alcohol
2. mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol
3. poisoning by drugs, medicaments and biological substances
4. mental and behavioural disorders due to drug and psychoactive substance use
5. poisoning by antidepressants (subset of question 3)
6. poisoning by ecstasy (subset of question 3)

Answer: Please see table attached.

III) Broken down by each of the following calendar years a) 2012, b) 2013, c) 2014, d) 2015 and e) 2016 so far, please state the total number of children **aged 16-17** admitted to hospitals in your trust due to:
1. the toxic effect of alcohol
2. mental and behavioural disorders due to use of alcohol
3. poisoning by drugs, medicaments and biological substances
4. mental and behavioural disorders due to drug and psychoactive substance use
5. poisoning by antidepressants (subset of question 3)
6. poisoning by ecstasy (subset of question 3)

Answer: Please see table attached.

Please provide the following information in an excel spreadsheet, such as the template attached.
If the request is not possible within the time limit of the FOIA, please provide the total number of children aged under 18 admitted to hospitals in your trust due to the specified diagnoses (1-6), broken down by the years specified (a-e).