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Subject: Pregablin

REQUEST

- The total number of patients attending the hospital where the use/overuse of the drug Pregablin is given as reason/part of the reason for their condition/attendance. Please provide figures for 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2016/17 and 2017/18 to date.
- Please provide the same figures for the number of patients admitted where the use/overuse of the drug Pregablin is given as reason/part of the reason for their condition/admittance. Please provide figures for 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2016/17 and 2017/18 to date.
- Please provide the total number of bed days taken by the above patients during the same time scale.
- Please provide the estimated average cost to the hospital/trust of an attendance at A&E.
- Please provide the estimated average cost to the hospital/trust of a day in a ward bed.

RESPONSE

The pharmacy system does not have this information. In order to provide the requested information, a manual check of all health records would be required.

Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals Trust does not have to comply with a request if we estimate that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit of £450. The appropriate limit has been specified in regulations. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2½ working days in answering the remainder of your questions. Under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act the Department is not obliged to comply with your request and we will not be processing your request further.