

## **Freedom of Information Act Request**

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide the following data on potent synthetic opioids, in particular fentanyl and nitazene, for the period between January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to the current date, broken down by calendar year.

Please send me:

1. The total number of deaths where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to the current date. Please break down the data by calendar year.
2. Any data on reported overdoses and hospitalisations where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to the current date. Please break down the data by calendar year.
3. Provide the number of cases in which nitazenes and fentanyl were recorded in toxicology reports for patients attending healthcare facilities between January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to the current date.
4. Please provide copies of any reports, surveys, or risk assessments on nitazenes conducted by or shared with your health authority during January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to the current date.

Please could you provide the information in the form of a spreadsheet (csv or xlsx)

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (FOI) request. After careful consideration, we regret to inform you that we do not hold the information you have requested.

We dont have this information, its not recorded within CaMIS what the cause of death was, this would be on coroner reports which sit outside of CaMIS.

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we are only required to provide information that we hold at the time of the request. Unfortunately, we do not possess the information you are seeking.

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to [d.wraith@nhs.net](mailto:d.wraith@nhs.net).

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If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office

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Water Lane

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Cheshire

SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113

Website: <https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/>

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