

FOI Request Response information

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Request Detail:

the impact that New Psychoactive Substances (NPS) such as Spice and Black Mamba are having on the delivery of services within the prison estate

I would be grateful for your responses to the following questions in relation to HMP Liverpool.

- 1) How many incidents involving NPS were dealt with by healthcare staff during each of the following years?
 - . 2012
 - . 2013
 - . 2014
 - . 2015
 - . 2016
- 2) How many times during each of the following years was the healthcare team required to initiate life support due to suspected NPS use?
 - . 2012
 - . 2013
 - . 2014
 - . 2015
 - . 2016
- 3) On how many occasions during each of the following years was an ambulance required to transfer an inmate to Accident and Emergency due to suspected NPS use?
 - . 2012
 - . 2013
 - . 2014
 - . 2015
 - . 2016
- 4) If healthcare is not provided 24-hours under your contract, what is the protocol if a serious incident involving NPS use takes place out of hours?
- 5) How many times during each of the following years have routine health clinics inside your prison been stopped or delayed as a result of staff being tied up with suspected NPS-related incidents?
 - . 2012
 - . 2013
 - . 2014

- . 2015
 - . 2016
- 6) How many times during each of the following years have inmates been unable to attend health appointments outside prison as a result of staff being tied up with NPS-related incidents?
- . 2012
 - . 2013
 - . 2014
 - . 2015
 - . 2016

Response Detail:

I believe that Dr Luxman Parimelalagan has already spoken to you about this FOI request. This is a reminder of that response:

It has been explained to you that the information that you are requesting we are unable to provide. SystemOne coding mechanisms do not allow us to pull up the information in a meaningful way.

You were therefore given a brief summary around the NPS problem and invited to go and visit the prison to discuss the matter further.