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REQUEST

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to ask that you please disclose details of the figures and details of cases of patients presenting at your A&E departments with symptoms of taking nitrous oxide gas year by year from 2018-2023. Please state the year, the symptoms shown and the outcome of the A&E visit.

RESPONSE

Section 12 - cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit

The Trust does not record this level of detail and would therefore need to undertake a manual review of records to provide the information requested, which would exceed the appropriate limit.

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 and represents the estimated cost of one person spending 2½ working days providing a response.