

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB_401_18

You asked:

1. How many prescriptions for selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) were issued for under-18s in 2017/18?
2. How many prescriptions for selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) were issued for under-18s in 2013/14?
3. How many prescriptions for selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) were issued for under-18s in 2016/17?
4. How many prescriptions for selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) were issued for under-18s in 2015/16?
5. How many prescriptions for selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) were issued for under-18s in 2014/15?

Our response:

We do not record prescribing data in a format which allows reporting by age for both primary and secondary care areas. Therefore, we are unable to provide the detailed information requested.

The detailed information you require would be recorded within an individual patient's health record as part of their ongoing care. To provide you with this information, would require a manual trawl and significantly exceed the 18 hours time and £450 cost limit set out within Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act.