Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

FOI Reference: FOI 101

Date request received: 28th March 2018

Date information is due to be sent: 25th April 2018

Information requested:

The project focuses on three specific psychoactive substance namely aminoindanes, tryptamines and phenethylamine. I would like to request the following information:

1. The number of these three drugs detected since 2010 (data for each year separately). This would allow the assessment of the prevalence of the drug in the UK.

2. The number of cases where these 3 psychoactive substance may/have been missed during preliminary screening of drugs (Data for each year separately).

I request these information under the freedom of information act.

Information provided for the answer:

1. The number of these three drugs (aminoindanes, tryptamines and phenethylamine) detected since 2010 (data for each year separately). This would allow the assessment of the prevalence of the drug in the UK.

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<th>Substance Category</th>
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<td>Aminoindane</td>
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<td>Phenethylamine</td>
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<td>206</td>
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<td>Tryptamine</td>
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Please note that WEDINOS only began in late 2013 – as such we have provided the data by complete calendar year. Also, please note that this information does not allow for the assessment of the prevalence of the drug in the UK – it provides a measure of the number of samples of each of these substance categories submitted to WEDINOS.
2. The number of cases where these 3 psychoactive substance may/have been missed during preliminary screening of drugs (Data for each year separately). – NONE

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