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I am responding to your request for information received 19th November 2024. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

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Request:

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

Question 1: The total number of deaths where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected from January 1st, 2019 to the current date. Please break down the data by calendar year.

Answer: The Trust recorded zero deaths where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected.

Question 2: Any data on reported overdoses and hospitalisations where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected from January 1st, 2019 to the current date. Please break down the data by calendar year.

Answer: The Trust recorded zero reported overdoses and hospitalisations where nitazenes and fentanyl were identified or suspected.

Question 3: Provide the number of cases in which nitazenes and fentanyl were recorded in toxicology reports for patients attending healthcare facilities between January 1st, 2019 to the current date.

Answer: The Trust recorded zero reported cases in which nitazenes and fentanyl were recorded in toxicology reports for patients attending healthcare facilities

Question 4: Please provide copies of any reports, surveys, or risk assessments on nitazenes conducted by or shared with your health authority during January 1st, 2019 to the current date.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.



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