

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

EPUT do not formally *diagnose* starvation ketoacidosis in the community team and therefore we don't specifically treat it, although our medical monitoring and management is aimed at treating the signs and symptoms seen with the condition to prevent deterioration to this condition.

Starvation ketoacidosis could only be diagnosed in hospital with the use of bloods, venous/arterial blood gases and urinary/blood ketone levels.

If a patient presented in the community with signs/symptoms of starvation ketoacidosis, then they would present very sick with a reduced level of consciousness and likely to require ambulance transport to A&E for intravenous rehydration, correction of electrolyte imbalance, intravenous thiamine and intense dietetic support.

1) How many people did you treat for starvation ketoacidosis in 2020?

1a) How many people were under 25-years-old when treated?

2) How many people did you treat for starvation ketoacidosis in 2021?

2a) How many people were under 25-years-old when treated?

3) How many people did you treat for starvation ketoacidosis in 2022?

3a) How many people were under 25-years-old when treated?

4) How many people did you treat for starvation ketoacidosis in 2023?

4a) How many people were under 25-years-old when treated?

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