

Access to Public Information Response

12 November 2020

REQUEST UNDER THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

Request sent on 5 October 2020:

I am writing to request access to information under the Code of Practice for Access to Public Information

- How many people were treated by Guernsey Community Drug and Alcohol Team in 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- What percentage of people were seeking treatment for dependency on a prescription drug in 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- How many drug related deaths in the island in 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- What percentage of drug related deaths in the island involved prescription drugs in 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- What percentage of drug related deaths in the island involved heroin in 2017, 2018 and 2019?
- What percentage of drug related deaths in the island involved crack cocaine in 2017, 2018 and 2019?

States of Guernsey response sent on 12 November 2020:

The Community Drug and Alcohol Team, treated the following people in 2017, 2018 & 2019:

2017 - 234

2018 - 246

2019 - 257

It is not possible to extract specific figures for each year as requested. However, the majority of those seen for drug related issues are a result of the illicit use of prescription medication.

A Law Enforcement Annual report is published which includes number of inquests but it does not break down the data to reason for death.

https://www.guernsey.police.uk/annualreports

Whilst the data regarding drug related deaths in the Island is not collated in the manner you have requested, we can confirm that there have been no deaths which implicated crack cocaine or heroin in the time period requested.