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**Your Official Information Act request, reference: 20220830-1293 and HNZ00003510  
Hallucinogenic-induced psychosis and deaths**

Thank you for your email of 30 August 2022, asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*How many people were admitted to hospital due to hallucinogenic-induced psychosis within the Auckland region due to between the years of 2002 - 2022?*

*How many people who were admitted to hospital in the Auckland region due to hallucinogenic-induced psychosis or an accident caused by hallucinogenic-induced psychosis consequently lost their lives?*

**Response**

**1) How many people were admitted to hospital due hallucinogenic-induced psychosis within the Auckland region due to between the years of 2002 - 2022**

We are responding from Te Toka Tumai Auckland, where we run Starship Children's Hospital and Auckland City Hospital. We see you have asked the same questions from the other two Auckland metropolitan districts and want to emphasis we are only providing data for services provided in the Te Toka Tumai Auckland district as opposed to Te Whatu Ora Waitematā and Te Whatu Ora Counties Manukau.

Please also note we do not have standard reporting for this but can provide the following information from coded information.

Discharge years	Number of events
2009 -2022	50

The table above is the number of discharges with a coded diagnosis of mental or behavioural disorders due to the use of hallucinogens, specifically psychotic disorder. There were no discharges with this diagnosis code prior to 2009. Note that only inpatient events > 3 hours are coded.

**2) How many people who were admitted to hospital in the Auckland region due to hallucinogenic-induced psychosis or an accident caused by hallucinogenic-induced psychosis consequently lost their lives?**

No patients lost their lives within the Te Toka Tumai district as a consequence of an admission/event related to hallucinogenic-induced psychosis between 2009 to 2021

**How to get in touch**

If you have any questions, you can contact us at [ويا@adhb.govt.nz](mailto:ويا@adhb.govt.nz).

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Nāku iti noa, nā



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