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Information request

How many claimants in receipt of a main DWP benefit (JSA, ESA, IB, HB, IS, DLA) and who are dependent on drugs/alcohol are in receipt of a prescription for their dependency?

DWP response

DWP holds data on claimants in receipt of some benefits where a disabling condition of drug or alcohol dependency is recorded, but DWP does not hold data on which of these claimants are in receipt of a prescription for their dependency. In England, data about whether clients receive a prescribing intervention as part their treatment is held by Public Health England. Any requests about this treatment data should be made to Public Health England.