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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 200702.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

**I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.**

**All questions relate to the time period 1 Jan 2019 to 31 Dec 2019**

**1: How many 999 calls were received?**

This information is available publicly on the AQI website:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/ambulance-quality-indicators/>

**2: Of these calls how many were responded to by a frontline ambulance?**

This information is available publicly on the AQI website:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/ambulance-quality-indicators/>

**3: How many calls responded to had 'Autism', 'Asperger's' or ASD noted in the EPR/CAD notes?**

992

**4: Of the calls noting 'Autism', 'Asperger's' or 'ASD' how many had 'Mental Health' as a final impression?**

33

**5: Of the calls noting 'Autism', 'Asperger's' or 'ASD' how many were transported to a hospital?**

536

For above questions please note the following:

- The words: "Autism" and "Asperger" were identified in free-typed fields. Please treat all values with caution as this may not be the reason for the call and not all cases may be identified if this has not been recorded.
- For Question 4, values provided are based on incidents with a response and on PCR data.
- For Question 4 the conditions: Psychotic disorder and Mental disorder were used to identify the condition 'Mental Health'. Please note that not every case will be identified if this has not been recorded.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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