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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 20/10/07.

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

How much did your trust spend in £GBP on

a. The use of private ambulances to transport patients to hospital in 2019

Values are rounded to the nearest £.

Jan-Dec 2019 12-month Private Ambulance Providers' cost £9,930,529

b. The use of taxis transport patients to hospital in 2019

The Trust did not provide taxi services to take patient to the hospitals, therefore £0.

c. The use of private ambulances to transport patients to hospital in 2020

Jan-Sep 2020 9-month Private Ambulance Providers' cost £9,513,808

d. The use of taxis to transport patients to hospital in 2020

The Trust did not provide taxi services to take patient to the hospitals, therefore £0.

Please note that these totals represent all private ambulance attendances, not only those which resulted in a patient being transported to hospital.

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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