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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 201102.

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

Can you please tell me how many suspected suicide emergencies South East Coast Ambulance Service paramedics responded to in the 12 months until the end of March 2020?

4229

And can you also say how many suspected suicide emergencies there have been in the first six months of this year from April to the end of September?

2267

For the above questions please note the following:

- For question 1, values provided are from 1st April 2019 up to and including 31st March 2020.
- For Question 2, values provided are from 1st April 2020 up to and including 30th September 2020.
- Values provided are for incidents with a response. Responses- defined as incidents where at least one resource has arrived on scene.
- Please note that the condition ID associated with 'suicide' was used to identify 'suspected suicide'.
- Please treat all values with caution, as this may not always be what was identified when crew arrived at scene.

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

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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