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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 201223.

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

## I would like to request the following information

- 1. In the month of December 2020 how many front line ambulance clinicians, from nhs pay band 3-6, received the COVID -19 vaccine in Kent, Sussex and Surrey?
  - 912 eligible staff were vaccinated Trust wide during December 2020. The reporting platform National Immunisation and Vaccination System (NIVS) does not mandate the reporting of NHS pay bands so we are unable to provide a breakdown of numbers within specific pay bands.
- 2. On the day of the 27th of December 2020 how many operational team leaders, managers or senior managers, nhs pay band 7 and above, received the Covid -19 vaccine in Brighton?
  - 53 Trust staff were vaccinated at Brighton on the 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020. The reporting platform National Immunisation and Vaccination System (NIVS) does not mandate the reporting of NHS pay bands so we are unable to provide a breakdown of numbers within specific pay bands.
- 3. On the days of 27th and 28th of December 2020 can you confirm the presence of a member of staff employed by The south east coast ambulance service NHS foundation trust at the Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS foundation trust vaccine centre and the purpose of their presence at the centre and if they advised SECAMB front line clinical staff not to take the vaccine offered?

Staff were advised via a number of means including trust-wide communication that it was essential that JCVI criteria were adhered to in line with the agreement with the vaccinating hospital hub.

As the identity of the personnel have not been requested nor any patient identifiable information, I can see no reason for these questions not to be answered.

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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