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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210101.

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

Number of calls attended by ambulance staff where fibromyalgia was mentioned as the primary issue, or in past medical history/current conditions.

Aged 18 and above

Male and female

Treatment outcomes (hospital conveyance, referral, or left at home)

Incident Outcome	Patient Sex	Count of Incidents
See & Convey	F	1271
See & Treat	F	588
See & Convey	M	142
See & Treat	M	53

- Values provided are for incidents with a response.
- Responses- defined as incidents where at least one resource has arrived on scene.
- Please note, the words 'fibromyalgia' were identified in the PCR notes.
- 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.
- Please treat all values with caution due to inaccuracies associated with free-text fields. And not every fibromyalgia incident is a confirmed case.
- Please note that not every incident has a patient DOB.
- Values provided for See & Convey values, are conveyances to urgent-care type wards and other healthcare facilities.
- Values provided for See & Treat values may not always be at the patients' address.

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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