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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210205.

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

**Would it be possible to produce a dataset of the number of incidents attended by SECamb over the last year or several years where "acute dehydration" or "dehydration" are listed as the clinical impression, or where "dehydration" is mentioned as an incidental finding?**

**This is for research purposes, and it would be useful to understand the demographics, for example which age groups are most affected.**

**Furthermore, if possible, please include the outcome of the incident. For example, conveyance, discharge or referred.**

Age Group	See & Convey	See & Treat
0-4	<10	<10
5-9	0	<10
10-14	0	0
15-19	0	<10
20-24	<10	<10
25-29	<10	<10
30-34	<10	<10
35-39	<10	<10
40-44	<10	<10
45-49	<10	<10
50-54	<10	<10
55-59	11	<10
60-64	<10	<10
65-69	11	<10
70-74	18	<10
75-79	21	<10

80-84	35	<10
85-89	33	<10
90+	23	<10
Unknown age	13	<10

- Values provided are from the 1st January 2020 up to and including the 1st January 2021.
- Values provided are for incidents with a response.
- Responses- defined as incidents where at least one resource has arrived on scene.
- The crew condition code, which was used to locate actual or suspected dehydration cases, was identified in scanned freetext fields. Please treat values with caution due to inaccuracies associated with OCR (Optical character recognition).
- Also, this may not be the reason for the call and not all dehydration incidents may be identified if this has not been recorded.
- Please note that, see & convey values are conveyances to all healthcare facilities.
- Please note that for figures that are less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals.

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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