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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210233.

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

I would like to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act regarding the following:

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. My request relates to suicide callouts taken by the South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.

I would like to request the following information:

How many callouts to suicides* did the trust receive?

During the following periods:

i) 01/03/2019 - 29/02/2020

ii) 01/03/2020 - 28/02/2021

- Calls outs to suicides refers to incidents in which a person has taken their own life**

How many callouts to attempted suicides* did the trust receive?

During the following periods:

i) 01/03/2019 - 29/02/2020

ii) 01/03/2020 - 28/02/2021

***Attempted suicide refers to an instance in which a person has tried to take their own life, but the attempt was non-fatal.**

	Suicide	Attempted suicide
19/20	194	4160
20/21	184	4315

- The condition ID, which was identified by the call taker as the reason for the call; was used to identify suicide-related calls.
 - o Please treat all values with caution, as this may not always be what was identified when crew arrived at scene.
- Values provided are for incidents with a response.
 - o Responses- defined as incidents where at least one resource has arrived on scene
- Value provided is from 1st March 2019 up to and including 29th Feb 2021.
- Suicide is defined as incidents which had been identified by the call taker as 'Suicide/attempted suicide'. And had a cardiac arrest.
- Attempted suicide is defined as incidents which had been identified by the call taker as 'Suicide/attempted suicide'. And did not result in a cardiac arrest.

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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