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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 210730.

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

How much has your Trust spent on private ambulances that attend emergency calls during the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22 to date?

Values are rounded to the nearest £

| Years | 2020-21 | 2021-22* |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Value £ | 8,707,213 | 1,742,307 |

*Current year values provided for the year to date from April 2021 to Jun 2021

What percentage of emergency 999 calls required the use of a private ambulance for the financial years listed above? Please could you also break this down month by month as well as financial year please?

| Month Year | Proportion of incidents where a PAP attended |
|------------|--|
| Apr-20 | 11.0% |
| May-20 | 10.3% |
| Jun-20 | 10.9% |
| Jul-20 | 7.0% |
| Aug-20 | 7.2% |
| Sep-20 | 5.5% |
| Oct-20 | 6.0% |
| Nov-20 | 5.9% |
| Dec-20 | 5.1% |
| Jan-21 | 6.1% |
| Feb-21 | 5.5% |
| Mar-21 | 6.5% |
| Apr-21 | 5.3% |
| May-21 | 5.5% |
| Jun-21 | 5.9% |
| Jul-21 | 5.7% |

| FYear | Proportion of incidents where a PAP attended |
|-----------|--|
| 2020-2021 | 7.2% |

| FYear | Proportion of incidents where a PAP attended |
|-------------|--|
| 2021-2022 * | 5.6% |

* Date Range: 01/04/2020 - 31/07/2021

NB: Incidents where a PAP (private ambulance provider) attended may have also been attended by a SECamb resource.

how much did the trust spend on private ambulance providers for non 999 calls?

The Trust did not use private ambulances for non 999 calls.

For the years stated above how much has been spent on private provider to assist with moving or treating COVID19 patients?

The Trust is unable to provide how much was spent on private providers to assist with moving or treating COVID19 patients.

We can provide the average cost of private providers where they attended an incident

| Years | 2020-21 | 2021-22* |
|---------|---------|----------|
| Value £ | 173.45 | 173.66 |

*Current year values provided for the year to date from April 2021 to Jun 2021

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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