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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 211150.

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

Please provide data for the following:

- **Number of OHCA (Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest) cases which occurred for the South East Coast Ambulance Service**
- **Number of OHCA resuscitated by the South East Coast Ambulance Service**
- **Number of times a defibrillator was used**
- **Number of times a Publicly Accessible Defibrillator was used**
- **A list of postcodes/Local Authority where each OHCA occurred**

If you are unable to complete this full request, please include any parts of the requested data which you do hold.

	All OHCA	Resus attempts	Defibrillated	PAD used	Postcodes
2015-16	unknown	2742	unknown	unknown	unknown
2016-17	unknown	3119	shockable on EMS arrival 640	unknown	unknown
2017-18	7473	3097	shockable on EMS arrival 642	unknown	unknown
2018-19	6913	2734	1034	80	unknown
2019-20	7083	2567	886	133	unknown
2020-21	8370	2691	998	153	Recorded
2021-date	3000	1061	441	73	Recorded

- The data for September and October 2021 is not available as it is still being processed.
- We do not have a total of all OHCA for the 2015-16 and 2016-17.
- We do not have a total of patients defibrillated for 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18. However, for 2016-17 and 2018 we have included instead the total resus attempts presenting in shockable rhythms for these years.
- We do not have incident postcodes before April 2019.

Regarding new systems:

- A more complete data set began to be collected in April 2018
- An updated paper PCR was introduced in May 2019
- ePCR began a phased rollout in June 2019
- A new audit tool was introduced in October 2019

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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