

3rd March 2022

Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220210.

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

We have recently received an FOI request, as shown below.

May I kindly request a FOI request on the following questions: 1) How many call outs due to choking/FBAO did your service/trust attend in 2021?

1106 *Condition reported as "Choking", no results returned for FBAO

2) How many casualties were dead upon arrival 2021

3) How many casualties passed away on route to hospital 2021

4) What suction machines/devices are used within your service to help clear an obstruction of the airway if magill forceps are not available/of use?
We use the Laerdal Suction unit and also carry a manual suction unit if this fails.
5) What is the average response time of your service/trust for 2021?

*For responses to Incidents reported as "Choking" broken down by call category

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Cat1	00:07:17
Cat2	00:19:05
Cat3	01:05:14
Cat5	00:16:28
HCP	03:06:50

*For responses to ALL Incidents broken down by call category

Cat1	00:08:28
Cat2	00:27:10
Cat3	02:14:11
Cat4	02:37:58
HCP	01:27:41

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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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