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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220732.

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

Please disclose under the Freedom of Information Act:

- 1. The number of patients who have died before your ambulance teams have arrived at the location of a call-out, in each quarter from quarter 4 2018-19 (Jan 1 to Mar 31 2019) to quarter 1 2022-23 (Apr 1 to Jun 30 2022)**
- 2. The number of patients who have been declared dead at the location to which your ambulance teams were called, in each quarter from quarter 4 2018-19 (Jan 1 to Mar 31 2019) to quarter 1 2022-23 (Apr 1 to Jun 30 2022)**
- 3. The number of patients who have died between ambulance teams answering a call and the patient being handed over to hospital teams, in each quarter from quarter 4 2018-19 (Jan 1 to Mar 31 2019) to quarter 1 2022-23 (Apr 1 to Jun 30 2022)**

Can you break these figures down by whether the category of the callout was level 1, 2, 3 or 4 please.

Please see the attached spreadsheet.

- Date range 01/01/2019 - 30/06/2022
- Data provided for where the 'Recognition of Life Extinct' field was populated on the patient clinical record.
- We are unable to provide data for questions 1 and 3 due to the specificity.
- 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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