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Date

Email:

Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 230141.

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

I am writing to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Please state:

1. The total amount spent on private ambulances and transport by this Trust in the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22.

Please provide yearly subtotals and a breakdown of cost by if services were used for 999-calls or non-urgent transfers.

The total amount spent on private ambulances and transport by this Trust in the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22, this was for 999-calls only.

2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
£11,183,997	£8,707,213	£7,183,087

2. Please state the number of times private ambulances or transport were used by the Trust in these years with yearly subtotals for 999 calls and non-urgent transfers.

FYear	Q2_Count of Responses PAPs	
2019-20	54187	
2020-21	51928	
2021-22	41204	

Date range: 01/04/2019 - 31/03/2022

Please note there is NO non A&E work contracted with SECAmb.

3. Please state the three most expensive trips/visits carried out by private ambulances/transport in the financial year 2021/22 and if possible the nature of each trip. For example (999 response for an elderly patient who fell at home). Not applicable as no contracted rates regardless of allocation type.

4. Please provide a breakdown of spending by each private provider the Trust has used for 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22.

We do not hold contracts with private providers for non A&E/999 activity.

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

Freedom of Information Coordinator South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

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