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Dear

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 230532.

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

**I would like to request freedom of information on the following.**

**Have SECAMB claimed objective justification when preventing part time staff (working below 30 hours) applying for the apprentice paramedic progression ? promotion.**

**If Secamb have claimed objective justification on what grounds has this been done and what does the objective justification look like.**

The procurement of the apprentice paramedic programme was a national process conducted with an external procurement organisation. None of the education providers applying to deliver the SECAMB programme offered a part-time education programme. Therefore, it was not possible to offer a part-time option.

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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