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Email:

Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 240101.

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

**We request the following information :**

- 1. Are paramedics employed by SECamb trained to recognise the symptoms of sodium nitrite poisoning ?**

Not specifically but history taking should elicit concerns and rapid evacuation to ED would be indicated.

- 2. Are paramedics employed by SECamb trained to treat patients suffering with sodium nitrite poisoning with the antidote methylthioninium chloride commonly called methylene blue ?**

No. These items are limited to emergency departments.

- 3. Do paramedics employed by SECamb routinely carry the antidote methylthioninium chloride commonly called methylene blue ?**

No. This item are limited to emergency departments.

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  
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