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Dear, Tel: 0300 123 0999 www.secamb.nhs.uk

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 240142.

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

I am a student paramedic currently undertaking a research study into defibrillation techniques. I have a few questions surrounding this which I hope you can answer.

1. Do you use a Zoll defibrillator?

No – SECAmb don't use Zoll monitors.

2. During a cardiac arrest to you utilise the manual mode of these fib or use the automatic mode?

As a trust we mandate the use of AED mode for the first crew arriving. Once further resources arrive and if a paramedic is present, we then allow the use of manual mode. There would be no criticism if AED mode was used for the whole resuscitation.

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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