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Dear _____,

The Trust is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, thank you. This request has been assigned the internal reference quoted above; please ensure that you quote this number in any future correspondence.

We have now provided a formal response below. Please accept our sincere apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding the completion of this request. At the time of writing the Trust continues to receive high volumes of FOI requests, many of which are complex and time consuming. In this instance, the Trust has not responded within the required 20 working days, and for this we apologise.

FOI Request

You asked us:

Can you please provide the following information:

The information I am looking for pertains to "specialist paramedic in urgent care"

1 - a copy of a current [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*] contract.

2 - Can you confirm what Band trainee [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s are paid on AfC, whether this is Band 6 or Band 7 and where on the relevant band they are paid.

3 - Are [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s paid on all of their mandatory placements or whether this is done in their own time (i.e. unpaid).

4 - Are [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s paid mileage whilst/for travelling to their placements and to where they study for the qualifications.



Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds the information you requested.

1 - a copy of a current [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*] contract.

Attached

2 - Can you confirm what Band trainee [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s are paid on AfC, whether this is Band 6 or Band 7 and where on the relevant band they are paid.

Whilst in Training, Advanced Paramedic Practitioners are paid as Band 6 on existing spine point (or most appropriate spine point dependant on experience). Upon completion of the training, they will move to the first spine point of Band 7 (or relevant spine point if previous experience is verified via IAT)

3 - Are [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s paid on all of their mandatory placements or whether this is done in their own time (i.e. unpaid).

Yes, these employees are paid where they are on an internal contracted progression programme to become an APP, and where SECamb have arranged the placements.

4 - Are [*Advanced Paramedic Practitioner (APP), and Student APP*]s paid mileage whilst/for travelling to their placements and to where they study for the qualifications.

Yes, where SECamb have arranged the placements. All mileage is paid against the NHS Agenda for Change agreement.

Next steps

We hope you find the information provided to be of some assistance.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance, via the following email address: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer. We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](#) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.



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Yours sincerely,

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



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