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Internal Ref: Email:

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Dear ,

The trust is in receipt of your information request, thank you. Please accept this formal response, which has been given the internal reference quoted above. Please quote this reference number in any correspondence.

Request

You asked us:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from this trust. Please may you provide me with:

- 1) How many times has an ambulance needed to attend a secondary school to provide medical assistance to a pupil as a result of vaping recorded during the years 2022, 2023 and 2024?
- 2) How many of those secondary school aged pupils you had to attend to at a school then had to be taken to hospital as a result of vaping recorded during the years 2022, 2023 and 2024?

We have processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Response

The formal Trust response follows..

The Trust confirms it does not hold the information you requested.

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We are not able to answer this request for the following reasons:

- We are not able to identify secondary schools
- We are unable to identify whether the attendance was as a result of vaping.

Next steps

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

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

You can ask us to review our response. If you would like us to carry out a review, please let us know within 40 working days. This will be conducted by someone who was not involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer.

Should you remain dissatisfied following our internal review, you can complain to the <u>Information Commissioner's Office</u> (ICO). You should make complaints to the ICO within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: <u>www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints</u>.

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

