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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.

Please accept the Trust's sincere apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding this response. 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 days, and for this we apologise.

## Request

You asked us:

I would like to request under the Freedom of Information Act details on ransomware attacks on your organisation between 2019 and 2024.

For the avoidance of doubt, a ransomware attack is a type of cyberattack which prevents an organisation accessing their own files or computer networks after criminals manage to infect the system with malware. These type of attacks involve the criminals demanding payment for a key to restore access to the files. In particular,

I would like to know the number of ransomware attacks on your organisation between 2019 and 2024.

I would like to know the number of successful attacks on your system.

I would also like to know the cost of these attacks on your organisation, including the amount of ransom or payments made to restore access to your systems.

I would appreciate it if you could break down the figures for each year. I would also appreciate it if you could supply the data on an excel spreadsheet or other type of .CSV file.



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

## Response

The formal Trust response follows.

The Trust confirms it holds the information you requested.

I would like to know the number of ransomware attacks on your organisation between 2019 and 2024.

Zero.

I would like to know the number of successful attacks on your system.

Zero.

I would also like to know the cost of these attacks on your organisation, including the amount of ransom or payments made to restore access to your systems.

Zero.

I would appreciate it if you could break down the figures for each year. I would also appreciate it if you could supply the data on an excel spreadsheet or other type of .CSV file.

N/A

## **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.

Chair: Usman Khan CEO: Simon Weldon

Yours sincerely,

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

