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Internal Ref:

Dear

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

Please accept the Trust's apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding your FOIA request.

FOI Request

You asked us:

Please can I request details of which, if any, clinical decision support tools are used by clinicians to assess patients on the scene of an incident, including if the requirement changes depending on the level of clinician.

Additionally if there are any recent or expected reviews or changes to the tool used, or any other context.

For example "Since 2017, junior clinicians use x whereas paramedics and above are not required to use a decision support tool"

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds the information you have requested.

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The Trust uses the national Joint Royal Colleges Ambulance Liaison Committee clinical (JRCALC) guidelines.

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The Trust will continue to use JRCALC guidelines.

Next steps

Please note you will be able to source a lot of information which is made available on our website.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate 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.

Yours sincerely,

**Freedom of Information Coordinator
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