



Trust Headquarters
Nexus House
4 Gatwick Road
Crawley
West Sussex
RH10 9BG

Internal Ref:
Email

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

Dear Sir/Madam,

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.

FOI Request

You asked us:

1. **How many peer workers/peer mentors or similar roles does your Trust employ?**
2. **How many senior peer worker/peer supervisor/peer development worker or similar roles does your Trust employ?**
3. **What band(s) are your senior peer worker (or similarly titled) roles?**
4. **Can you provide a job description for these roles?**
5. **Who supervises the senior peer workers in your Trust**
6. **Does your Trust employ a lived experience lead/peer support lead?**
7. **If so, what band(s) are they recruited to?**
8. **Can you provide a job description for your peer support lead (or similarly titled) role(s)?**
9. **Did you receive any allocations via the NHSE Mental Health Programme grant funding over the last 4 years?**
10. **How many peer workers and peer supervisors (or similarly titled roles) have you trained through the NHSE training grant funding route?**
11. **How did the grant money help your organisation?**

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds part of the information you requested.



The Trust does not employ peer workers, peer mentors, or have any similar roles to consider under this response. Similarly, no lived experience lead or peer support lead is employed. As such, the Trust does not hold any information to consider for disclosure, in response to parts 2-8 & 10 of your request.

9. Did you receive any allocations via the NHSE Mental Health Programme grant funding over the last 4 years?

The Trust received an allocation of £70,000 in May 2023.

11. How did the grant money help your organisation?

The funding was supported a 12-month secondment for a Clinical Lead for Learning Disabilities post at SECAmb.

Next steps

We publish a variety of information which may assist future enquiries relating to our service on our website – www.secamb.nhs.uk.

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](https://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints) (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
South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**



Saving Lives,
Serving Our Communities

Chair: Michael Whitehouse CEO: Simon Weldon