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Dear,

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The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (F@FA)b.nhs.uk request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

## FOI Request

You asked us:

## **Definition**

For the purposes of this request, a "hit and run" refers to a "fail to stop collision" or a "fail to stop RTC (Road Traffic Collision)", where a driver involved in a collision does not remain at the scene as required by law.

Please provide the following data for each calendar year from 2019 to 2025 (inclusive):

- 1. The number of ambulance callouts identified as being in response to a "fail to stop collision" or "fail to stop RTC".
- 2. A breakdown of the above by:
  - Year/Month
  - Severity of injuries (if recorded: minor, serious, fatal)
  - Category of patient (e.g. pedestrian, cyclist, vehicle occupant)
    - Vehicle type(s) involved in the collision, where recorded (e.g. car, van, motorbike, HGV) for patient/others at scene.
  - Age and gender of the patient(s) involved, where recorded

If it is not possible to identify such incidents directly, please provide any callouts involving road traffic collisions where the driver did not remain at the scene or where police presence was requested due to a suspected absconded driver.

## **Formal Response**

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

The Trust is nor responsible for establishing or maintaining a record of 'fail to stop collisions', 'fail to stop RTCs', 'driver did not remain at the scene', or 'suspected absconded driver'.



Informational entries into Trust records of individual patient interactions, and/or episodes of care, are targeted toward establishing a clear record of:

- Identity and demographic information of the patient.
- The reported presentation of the patient, including primary complaint.
- The clinical status of the patient, enabling triage via NHS Pathways.
- Information to enable effective response and location of the incident.
- Relevant emergency setting information, supporting response categorisation.
- Information to enable effective conveyance of the patient to an Emergency Dept.
- Patient medical history, known allergens and documented advanced decisions.
- Clinical interventions made by healthcare professionals (HCPs).
- Medicines administered, and any HCP clinical decision rationale.
- Clinical disposition and progression of the patient, while under SECAmb care.
- Handover of care to Emergency Dept. / onward care setting.
- Information to benchmark against National Clinical Outcome Indicators (COIs).

## **Next steps**

We publish a variety of information which may assist future enquiries relating to our service on our website – <a href="https://www.secamb.nhs.uk">www.secamb.nhs.uk</a>.

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 <u>Information Commissioner's Office</u> (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: <u>www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints</u>.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Chair: Michael Whitehouse CEO: Simon Weldon

Yours sincerely,

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

