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Internal Ref: 251109  
Email:

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.

### **FOI Request**

You asked us:

**West Kent Health and Care Partnership is undertaking a data analysis project, as requested by the Urgent and Emergency Care (UEC) and Flow Board, to explore inequalities within the UEC and Flow space and inform our future work programme.**

**Attached are slides 43–46, which primarily focus on MTW. While these are very helpful, we would like to broaden the scope to include KCHFT urgent care services, SECAMB, and general practice data if possible.**

**We would also greatly value your support in sourcing or advising on health inequality data for West Kent for SECAMB data—ideally including measures such as:**

- **Life expectancy and healthy life expectancy (by deprivation decile/LSOA)**
- **Smoking prevalence, obesity, excess weight, and LTC prevalence (by deprivation/area)**
- **Emergency and urgent care utilisation (A&E attendance, admissions, ambulance conveyance) by deprivation and/or ethnicity**
- **Any existing Slope Index of Inequality (SII) or local gradient data relevant to the above**



## Formal Response

Thank you for your request regarding health inequality data for West Kent, specifically relating to urgent and emergency care utilisation and associated measures.

The Trust confirms it does not hold the requested data at a local level for KCHFT urgent care services, SECAMB, or general practice. However, we can signpost you to national and publicly available datasets that may contain relevant information:

**Life expectancy and healthy life expectancy (by deprivation decile/LSOA)**  
[Health and life expectancies - Office for National Statistics](#)

**Smoking prevalence, obesity, excess weight, and LTC prevalence (by deprivation/area)**  
[Fingertips | Department of Health and Social Care](#)

**Emergency and urgent care utilisation (A&E attendance, admissions, ambulance conveyance) by deprivation and/or ethnicity**

The UEC sitrep [Statistics » Urgent and Emergency Care Daily Situation Reports](#) may provide some of the data you are seeking. For A&E attendances and admissions, we recommend contacting acute providers directly, as they hold the most detailed information at source.

Regarding ambulance conveyance, we do hold data within our systems; however, it is not currently available in the format you have requested (e.g., broken down by deprivation or ethnicity). We can assist with specific, focused enquiries around conveyance if that would be helpful. Please let us know if you would like us to support with targeted conveyance queries or provide guidance on accessing national datasets for broader analysis.

**Slope Index of Inequality (SII) or local gradient data**  
[Fingertips | Department of Health and Social Care](#)

Unfortunately, we were not able to locate any attachments relating to “**slides 43–46, which primarily focus on MTW**” which may have assisted with providing further context. If you require further assistance in navigating these resources, please let us know and we will be happy to advise.

## 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](mailto: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](http://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**



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