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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:

I would please like to know, in each of the last three years for which you have data:

- 1) The number of staff employed by the trust**
- 2) The total number of days of sick leave taken by staff who took paternity leave in the preceding 12 months**
- 3) The total number of days of sick leave taken by all staff across the trust**

If you are unable to provide all this data, please provide it for only the most recent full year for which you have data.

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds the information you have requested.

- 1) The number of staff employed by the trust**

Year	Number of Staff Employed
As of March 31st 2025	5136
As of March 31st 2024	4863
As of March 31st 2023	4486

- 2) The total number of days of sick leave taken by staff who took paternity leave in the preceding 12 months**



Reporting Year	Total Sick Leave Days (Staff Who Took Paternity Leave in Preceding 12 Months)
2024/25	723
2023/24	1,767
2022/23	1,593

3) The total number of days of sick leave taken by all staff across the trust

Reporting Year	Total Sick Leave Days (All Staff)
2024/25	126,341
2023/24	119,059
2022/23	148,647

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**



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