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Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/15/02/17.

You requested the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) I would be grateful if you would provide me with copies of the eligibility and selection criteria of your NHS foundation trust referred to in General Condition G8 (Monitor's 2013 publication, 'The new NHS provider licence'), and in accordance with Section 103 (1) and (2) of the HSC Act 2012).

I would also be grateful if you could provide me with any information as to how these criteria have been set and applied and where they are published.

Note

**General Condition 8 in Monitors' 2013 publication: 'The new NHS provider license':
"Condition G8 – Patient eligibility and selection criteria:**

1. The Licensee shall:

(a) set transparent eligibility and selection criteria,

(b) apply those criteria in a transparent way to persons who, having a choice of persons from whom to receive health care services for the purposes of the NHS, choose to receive them from the Licensee, and

(c) publish those criteria in such a manner as will make them readily accessible by any persons who could reasonably be regarded as likely to have an interest in them.

2. "Eligibility and selection criteria" means criteria for determining:

(a) whether a person is eligible, or is to be selected, to receive health care services provided

by the Licensee for the purposes of the NHS, and

(b) if the person is selected, the manner in which the services are provided to the person.”

For NHS 111 and 999 services South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust has no eligibility and selection criteria as the services are accessible to all. For Patient Transport Services the eligibility criteria are set by the Commissioners.

I hope you find this information helpful.

If, for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response, you are entitled to pursue any dissatisfaction through South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust's (SECAMB) Internal Review Procedure at:

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust
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Should you remain unhappy with the outcome of any such internal review, you may request a decision from the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

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