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Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/15/05/03.

You requested the following information:

I'm studying about medical issues in the UK, and would like to request following information.

**1. Total annual budget and monthly breakdown for food for patients.
Could you provide the data in each hospital for each of the last five
calendar years for which is available?**

**2. Could you provide a breakdown of meals and number of times
served to patients over the above periods?**

**3. Could you tell me the number of malnutrition inpatients in each
hospital over the above periods? The definition of malnutrition is as follows.**

- Kwashiorkor
- Marasmic Kwashiorkor
- Unspecified severe protein-energy malnutrition
- Mild protein- energy malnutrition
- Unspecified protein-energy malnutrition
- Other malnutrition syndrome

We are unable to provide a response to these questions as we are an ambulance service; we treat patients at the scene of the incident and/or convey them to hospital. I would suggest that you contact the hospitals directly.

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
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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

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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