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Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/15/09/11.

You requested the following information:

I would like to gain some information on how you manage suspected neck of femur fractures.

Do you currently have a pre-hospital neck of femur pathway? If so could you please indicate what assessment / treatment you provide in relation to this and provide a copy of your pathway

Do you convey suspected neck of femur fractures to Accident & Emergency or a dedicated hip unit at hospital?

Do you have any arrangements with Hospitals that a patient will have an xray arranged directly on arrival?

Do you pre-alert hospitals that you are bringing them a suspected neck of femur fracture?

Please see the attached Fractured Neck of Femur Pathway which is a jointly agreed pathway between South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust and Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust. All patients in the Royal Sussex County Hospital and Princess Royal hospital catchment area who fulfil the criteria now go to Princess Royal hospital only.

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:

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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

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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