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Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/01/16.

You requested the following information:

I am contacting you today as myself and my colleagues are conducting a study to assess burn prevalence in children which have not attended hospital within the United Kingdom.

I am wishing to collect data from ambulance trusts to build a picture into the number of children seen to in relation to a burn and the amount of those that are taken to hospital. An ambulance trust which I have been in contact with, worked out conveyance by matching the incidence number to hospitals.

I wish to find out the number of people inquiring about/ have had a childhood burn.

Children are ideally to be defined as 0-16 years old, such that they have not reached their 16th birthday.

The data would ideally be from either the 2013/14 or 2014/15 financial year.

Unfortunately we cannot capture a full data set for the requested information. However, please see the table below which shows the number of calls received where the caller has mentioned 'burn' and following triage of the call it has been categorised as a burn according to NHS Pathways. We have also checked in other categories for any calls where the word 'burn' has been listed in the free text of the call.

The age of a patient is not always provided/ determined during the 999 call, however the age was mentioned during the calls, to which the figures in the table refer, and was included in the free text of the calls located below, therefore we can provide this data.

I would like to stress that these figures are based on the information provided by the caller which may prove different to what our crews find when they reach the patient, therefore the detail given by the caller may not always be accurate. This table also shows the number of incidents where the patient was transported to hospital.

Financial Year	Emergency Responses to Burns patients under 16	Transports to Hospital
2013/2014	225	169
2014/2015	217	174

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

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