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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/03/18.

You requested the following information:

Please advise current fleet size of the following:

Please see the fleet numbers under each vehicle type:

Emergency Rapid Response Vehicles (known as Single Response Vehicles (SRVs))

181

Emergency Standard Ambulances

300

Emergency Bariatric Ambulances

3

Standard Patient Transfer Vehicles

143

Bariatric Patient Transfer Vehicles

4

How many of each vehicle hold either a Mangar ELK or Mangar Camel Lifting Cushion

The vehicles that will carry a Mangar are emergency rapid response vehicles, or single response vehicles as they are referred to in our Trust, emergency standard ambulances and emergency bariatric ambulances, although this is a specialist bariatric lifting device.

How many incidences of patient falls did the service attend to in 2014/15?

During the period from 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015, South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust made 65,113 emergency responses where the nature of the problem was categorised as a fall less than 12 feet. It should be noted that not all falls may have been captured as they may have been categorised under other problem natures for example head injury or trauma. I regret to advise that we cannot provide any further information on the grounds of the exemption contained within s.12 of the FOIA. To retrieve the information would necessitate manually searching through each incident which would exceed the appropriate limit of 18 hours as set down in the guidance on the application of the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees).

I would like to stress that these figures are based on the information provided by the caller during triage of the 999 call 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.

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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Email: complaints@secamb.nhs.uk

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
Wilmslow
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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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