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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/06/29.

You requested the following information:

Can you please provide a list of medications which can be administered by paramedics, paramedic practitioners or critical care paramedics.

Please see the attached list.

Can you please provide a copy of the Patient Group Directive (PGD) for CCP drugs.

I have to advise that I am unable to provide this information on the basis of the exemption contained within s43 (2) of the FOI Act (Commercial Interests). The Trust accepts that there is a public interest in how public money is spent; however there is also a need to withhold information that would prejudice the commercial interest of the Trust and/ or third parties. In assessing the public interest, the Trust takes the view that this would be the case in this instance. The Trust considers that this information, in conjunction with other information that might already or will be in the public domain, could lead to the commercial interests of the Trust together with the companies we use being adversely affected.

These documents have been deemed confidential to the Trust and as such are not to be shared externally. Evidence used to prepare these was sought from Electronic Medicines Compendium (EMC) and the British National Formulary (BNF) as well as the Summary of Product Characteristics.

Can you confirm if the trust has asked for fentanyl to be introduced for paramedic use and to who the request was made.

SECamb does not possess a Controlled Drug Licence and as such does not have the authority to possess this item for paramedic use.

Can you confirm if there are any plans for paramedics to be able to administer midazolam or ketamine?

Yes

Can you please clarify which drugs are being looked into introduced.

Not applicable.

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
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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