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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/01/54.

You requested the following information:

Please could you provide the following information:

1a) total number of deaths that have occurred at the Trust in each of the last five years (please provide data broken down by year)

1b) the number of these deaths that were classified as unexpected

2a) total number of deaths that have been referred to the Coroner by the Trust in each of the last five years

2b) of these, the number of deaths of patients with a learning disability referred to the Coroner

3a) total number of deaths of patients with a learning disability that have occurred at the Trust in each of the last five years

3b) of these, the number of these deaths of patients with a learning disability that were classified as unexpected

4a) total number of deaths at the Trust reported as an incident on the National Reporting and Learning System (NRLS) in each of the last five years

4b) total number of deaths at the Trust reported on Strategic Executive Information System (STEIS) in each of the last five years

4c) if possible, please indicate the number of these that relate to patients with a learning disability

5a) total number of initial 72-hour reviews into deaths (as defined by the NHS Serious Incident Framework) in each of the last five years

5b) total number of investigations into deaths (as defined by the NHS SI Framework) in each of the last five years - please provide data broken down by severity, Level 1 internal investigations, Level 2 comprehensive internal investigations, Level 3 independent investigations. Please also indicate whether the numbers refer to investigations opened or completed.

As we are an ambulance service and treat patients on scene and/or transfer them to hospital, we are unable to respond to the questions above. It appears that your questions are more appropriate for hospital Trusts as we do not hold the level of information being requested.

I hope you find this information useful.

However, if for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Information Governance Manager via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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