

South East Coast Ambulance Service MHS NHS Foundation Trust

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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/02/16.

You requested the following information:

For 2016 the total number of physical attacks/assaults that took place in the Trust on:

a) Staff (both clinical and administrative)

This information is published on the NHS Protect website. This may be accessed via the following link below:

http://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/3645.aspx

b) Patients

There were no reported incidents.

c) Visitors

As we are an ambulance service, this question is not directly applicable as we do not have public facing buildings so the risk is lower, though we do still have visitors. However, I can confirm that there were no reported incidents.

ii. Where known any details of the assault (redacted where necessary to protect confidentiality).

Please refer to the above link which provides analytical information which you may find helpful.

iii. The number of times that the police were called following the instances above.



This information is not available in a reportable format. To retrieve the information would necessitate manually searching through each incident to see if details relating to Police involvement had been recorded. This would therefore exceed the 18 hour limit for requests.

iv. How much money does the Trust spend on security staff (or sub-contractors)?

As an ambulance service, we do not employ security staff, we do however have Security Management in a strategic capacity.

v. Does the Trust use on-body cameras in the hospital in any form?

No.

I hope you find this information useful.

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: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust