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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/17/02/19.

You requested the following information:

- 1. The names of the hospitals within your Trust/board that contain asbestos.**
- 2. How many reported incidents of asbestos exposure have there been in these hospitals between 2006 and 2016?**
- 3. The number of hospital staff (existing and retired staff to include both medical and non-medical staff) and patients that have pursued a claim against you for exposure to asbestos within a hospital run by your Trust/board.**
- 4. The number of these claims that have been settled.**
- 5. The amount of money that has been paid in settlement of these claims (with and without your Trust/board accepting responsibility).**

As we are an ambulance service we treat patients on scene and/or transfer them to hospital.

We are therefore unable to respond to the questions listed above regarding asbestos within hospitals, please note that these will need to be directed to the individual hospital(s) themselves for response.

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:

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Yours sincerely

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