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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/03/31.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

**How many paramedics have been diagnosed with stress/depression/anxiety or other mental health-related illness over the last five years - with the figures broken down for 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013?**

We do not hold information on how many paramedics have been diagnosed with mental health related illness. However, please see table below which shows the total number of staff in either a paramedic or Paramedic specialist practitioner role who had at least one period of sickness due to 'stress/depression/anxiety'

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total	42	50	49	73	89

**From the above, please can you detail how many have been:**

- **Dismissed** – 11
- **Resigned** – 87.
- **Offered alternative employment** – 0
- **Moved to/reassigned an alternative post/role** – This is not held centrally and to extract this information would exceed 18 hours and therefore be exempt under Section 12- FOI (Appropriate limit and fees) Regulations 2004.
- **Received help/therapy** – Staff have the Wellbeing Hub for support and information but we cannot provide information on if these people received help/therapy.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

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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