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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/09/09.

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

The requestor has confirmed they would like the information for the previous financial year (2017/18)

Would it be possible to find out the following information:

> Average response time for cardiac arrest calls

Average response time for Cardiac Arrest calls with CPR attempt was 10 minutes and 29 seconds
Average response time for Cardiac Arrest calls with no CPR attempt was 19 minutes and 41 seconds

> Number of cardiac arrest calls

Number of Cardiac Arrest calls with subsequent CPR attempt was 3097
Number of Cardiac Arrest calls with no subsequent CPR attempt was 3724

> Number of positive conveyance to hospital

The number of positive conveyances to hospital was 837

Please note that the data has been split into two categories, where there is an ongoing CPR attempt or CPR has been started by the attending ambulance crew, and where the patient is obviously deceased so no CPR attempt has been carried out. Incidents where the patient has been found to be in a workable cardiac arrest, but the call may not have initially been a category 1 have also been included. Calls that are regarding a patient who is obviously deceased and not receiving ongoing CPR are often downgraded from a category 1. Some incidents may start at a lower priority, due to reporting requirements, some of these incidents may be reported against the higher priority and not the original priority given.

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If you require information on our response to calls prioritised as Category 1 then please visit the following website: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/ambulance-quality-indicators/ambulance-quality-indicators-data-2016-17/>

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 Lead via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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