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Email:

Date 24th October 2018

Dear,

Email:foi@secamb.nhs.uk

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/10/26.

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

A recent news article (<u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-36988316</u> and <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-glasgow-west-36985807</u>) reported on the number of incidents involving butane hash oil (BHO) – also known as "honey oil", "dabs" or "shatter" – which have led to ambulance callouts.

Within this context, for each of the last five financial years (including 2018/19):

• How many callouts have been linked with BHO consumption?

• How many (a) fatalities and (b) injuries did these callouts/incidents result in?

A free text search for the following terms 'bho', 'butane gas oil', 'honey oil', 'dabs', 'shatter' gave nil results.

Please note this may not be a true reflection of calls as there may be cases where this has not been mentioned on the initial call and is therefore not documented within the notes

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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