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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/11/33.

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

1. How many paramedics have been bitten by a patient whilst on duty in the last three years?

As this figure is less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals

2. How many paramedics have required first aid treatment after being bitten by a patient in the last three years?

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3. How many paramedics have required hospital treatment (eg. stitches) as a result of being bitten by a patient whilst on duty in the last three years?

As this figure is less than 10 we are unable to provide the exact number as it may be identifiable to individuals

This data is from 22nd November 2015 – 22 November 2018. This data has been obtained via the incidents reported through our Datix system.

We encourage staff to report all incidents, whether they result in harm or not. This helps ensure that we learn from the outcomes of a thorough investigation.

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

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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