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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 200503.

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

## Please send me:

## The number of WKDL (working days lost) for a) paramedics, b) other staff in each of the last three financial years (2017/2018, 2018/2019, 2019/2020).

Please note that we are unable to provide working days lost as we don't have shift patterns on ESR. However, we have provided 'full time equivalent days lost', which is how we normally report absence days lost.

Full time equivalent days lost			
Role	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
Paramedic	12036	12218	13196
All other staff	47242	47713	65651
Total	59278	59930	78847

• Please can you also detail the three main reasons detailed for staff absence in each of these years.

2017/18	Absence Reason
	S10 Anxiety/stress/depression/other psychiatric illnesses
	S12 Other musculoskeletal problems
	S25 Gastrointestinal problems
2018/19	Absence Reason
	S10 Anxiety/stress/depression/other psychiatric illnesses
	S25 Gastrointestinal problems
	S98 Other known causes - not elsewhere classified
2019/20	Absence Reason

S10 Anxiety/stress/depression/other psychiatric illnesses

S98 Other known causes - not elsewhere classified

S25 Gastrointestinal problems

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, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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