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Dear Ms Kirby

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Information Request

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act which was received on 4 June 2018. I can confirm that we hold part of the information you have requested. You asked the following questions, reproduced in **bold** below:

Firstly, how many NHS double-crewed ambulances are operating within NEAS and how many RRV's are there?

Rapid Response Vehicles & Advanced Practitioners = 72
Double Crewed Ambulances = 150

If possible, I would also like to know how frequently a stretcher is used to move a patient when an Ambulance or RRV has been deployed. For example out of 100 ambulance deployments, how many times would a stretcher be utilised? Either for part of the journey/treatment or for the entire patient journey to A&E. I would also like to know how often immobilisation of patients is required. The most recent figures and statistics you can provide for this would be ideal.

The Trust does not hold this information

If you are not satisfied with the information we have provided, you can request an internal review which will be carried out by someone not involved with your original request. Mr Paul Aitken-Fell is the Trust's Consultant Paramedic, his contact details are:

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Yours sincerely



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