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Dear Mr Faulknor

**Re: Request for information regarding Tuberculosis surveillance data by local authority and place of birth**

Thank you for your email dated 15 September 2012, received on 17 September 2012 regarding tuberculosis surveillance data by local authority and place of birth. This response addresses two questions that we have identified from your email.

**1. "...Provide Enhanced Tuberculosis Surveillance (ETS) data for the rate of Tuberculosis case reports for each local authority, subdivided by place of birth (UK, non-UK). Please report the average number and the average rate per 100,000."**

In accordance with section 1(1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I confirm that we do not hold Tuberculosis rates by local authority subdivided by place of birth. To give you this information, we would need to create a new piece of information. Under the Freedom of Information Act we are not required to run non-routine reports which would be necessary in order to generate the information you specify in your request.

**2. "From the data which you have published...would you also clarify that the average numbers and average rates are averaged per year or are totals for the three calendar years for the entire local authority. I specifically refer to the data in Table 3a (Three-year average tuberculosis case reports and rates by local authority, England, 2000-2010)."**

I can confirm that Table 3a shows the total number of Tuberculosis case reports for the three calendar years divided by three (the number of years).

If you have any queries regarding the information that has been supplied to you, please refer them in the first instance to myself. If you are dissatisfied with this response and would like a copy of the HPA complaints procedure then please contact Mr George Stafford, Complaints Manager at: Health Protection Agency 151 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1 9SZ.

Please note that you have the right to an independent review by the Information Commissioner's Office if a complaint cannot be resolved through the HPA complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner's Office can be contacted by writing to Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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