



**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST**

**Request No:** AD-IG-01(2)-37-17  
**Key Word:** Attendances  
**Subject:** Queens/Mandela Hall, Belfast

**Request:**           **Date Received:**           30/03/2017  
                          **Monitoring Date:**           31/03/2017  
                          **Date of Response:**       27/04/2017

Thank you for your request for information received on 30 March 2017 and which was dealt with under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We would also inform you that Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) Health and Social Care Trust has now completed its search for the information you requested and which is detailed below for your attention.

I would also express fully my sincere condolences to you and your family at the loss of your son.

**Question 1**

Over the last three years (taken to mean 2014/15; 2015/16 and 2016/17) how many times was there an ambulance dispatched to Queens/Mandela Hall, Belfast when there was an event being held and if possible breakdown as in how many of the responses were drink or drug related .

**Answer 1**

We would confirm that unfortunately we do not hold information on when there is an event being held in Queens/Mandela Hall, Belfast. However we have provided you data broke down by Mandela Hall/Student Union in General/Outside Student Union Building and then by the general area outside of Queen's University ie Lanyon Building, Whitla Hall etc. Please further note that we do not have a chief complaint for alcohol as this is a social issue and persons' can report as a chief complaint of sick person/assault/unconsciousness etc depending on the nature of the incident. In relation to drugs, we have a chief complaint of OVERDOSE/POISONING (Ingestion). However for the purpose of your request, what he have done is reviewed the freetext field known as what's the problem in the incident log along with the Patient Report Form (which is the clinical record completed by staff when attending an incident) and based on this identified records that mentioned alcohol or drugs as part of what was report to us. This data has been attached as FOI\_37 for your ease.

I hope the above fully assists you. In the event that you require a review to be undertaken, you can do so by writing to the Finance and ICT Director, Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS) HSC Trust, Site 30, Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Saintfield Road, Belfast, BT8 8SG.



If following an internal review, carried out by an independent decision maker, you remain dissatisfied in any way with the handling of the request, you may make a complaint under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to the Information Commissioner's Office and ask that they investigate whether the Trust has complied with the terms of the Freedom of Information Act.

You can write to the Information Commissioner at:

**Website:** [ni@ico.org.uk](mailto:ni@ico.org.uk)  
**Post:** Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, CHESHIRE SK9 5AF  
**Telephone:** 028 9027 8757 or 0303 123 1114 (Belfast based Office)

In most circumstances the Information Commissioner will not investigate a complaint unless an internal review procedure has been carried out. However the Commissioner has the option to investigate the matter at his discretion. Please be advised that NIAS replies under Freedom of Information may be released into the public domain via our website @ <http://www.niamb.co.uk>.

Personal details in respect of your request will have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Yours sincerely

***Alison Vitty***

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