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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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Key Word: Paramedic

Subject: Vacancies

Request:	Date Received:	18/02/2016
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Thank you for your request for information received on 18 February 2016 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.

Question 1

The number of permanent full time core Paramedic vacancies within NIAS at January 2016

Question 2

The number of permanent full time core relief Paramedic vacancies within NIAS at January 2016

Question 3

The number of part time Paramedic vacancies with NIAS at January 2016

Question 4

Can I please also ask where these vacancies currently are at January 2016?

Paramedic has been confirmed to mean A&E Paramedic and will not include RRV Paramedic, Paramedics in Training, Paramedic Supervisor vacancies etc

Answer 1-4

NIAS produces corporate workforce Planning information retrospectively on a quarterly basis by the Trust's HR Department. Information is reported via the Trust's HR, Payroll, Travel & Subsistence (HRPTS) system and reconciled between the HR, Finance and Operations Directorates for validation purposes. The latest information shows the position as at 31 December 2015.

There were no vacancies at 31 December 2015. The Trust is currently implementing a number of actions as part of a workforce stabilisation programme, which may result in vacancies at the end of the next financial quarter (31 March 2016).

I hope the above fully assists you. If you are dissatisfied in any way with the handling of your request, you have the right to request a review. You should do this as soon as possible, or in any case within two months of the date of issue of this letter.



Please note that, under the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations, if you wish to publish or otherwise use this information besides for your own means, you will need to seek our permission to do so.

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
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

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