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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Request No: AD-IG-01(2)-2016-59
Key Word: Correspondence
Subject: CE/HSCB – Paramedic Rota/Performance
Request: **Date Received:** 13/05/2016
Monitoring Date: 16/05/2016
Date of Response: 13/06/2016

Thank you for your request for information received on 13 May 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 and attached for your attention.

Question 1

Please provide all correspondence between the office of the chief executive of the Health and Social Care Board in Northern Ireland and the Chief Executive of your Ambulance trust regarding:

- a) Gaps in the paramedic rota
- b) Ambulance response time targets.

from 1 January 2015 to date.

Answer 1

At this time manual and electronic records have been accessed and we have been unable to identify correspondence between the Chief Executive of Health and Social Care Board in NI and the Chief Executive of the Ambulance Service in relation to (a) or (b) above.

I am sorry that we cannot assist you further at this time. 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.

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Website: ni@ico.org.uk
Post: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane,
Wilmslow, CHESHIRE SK9 5AF
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