



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

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Subject: EMT Scope of Practice/Drugs Formulary
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Thank you for your request for information received on 5 December 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

EMT scope of practice

Question 2

Drugs Formulary

Answer 1 and 2

The Trust can confirm that with the cessation of the IHCD Technician training, a new programme has been developed for Associated Ambulance Practitioner (AAP). This course that has just commenced in NIAS for personnel who will be our EMTs, subsequent to gaining the AAP Level 4 Award. The National Education Network for Ambulance Services (NENAS) has agreed a national scope of practice but there can be variation of included elements by individual Ambulance Trusts. We have included tables to summarise the National scope of practice and shown how this compares to NIAS. This has been attached as document FOI_157. The last page in the document outlines the drug formulary.

I hope that the above and attached fully assists you. 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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Personal details in respect of your request will have, where applicable, been removed to protect confidentiality.

Yours sincerely

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