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Request:

Received: 13/07/2010

Query:

I'm requesting a more complete Utstein (Bystander-Witnessed VF Cardiac) survival rate for 04/01/08 - 03/31/09.



Response:

Responded: 15/07/2010

Dear

Thank you for your request for information, placed under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) (FOIA).

I have approached our Clinical Audit & Research Unit who have explained that the only information we hold is as the attached, namely the 2008/2009 Cardiac Arrest Annual Report.

It may be of assistance to further explain that it would seem that you have calculated a different survival rate to us (12% to 15.2%), which would seemingly result via the inclusion of incomplete data, and may therefore explain the variation in the survival outcome percentage we conclude.

Should you have any further queries, may I suggest you contact my colleagues:

Dr Rachel Donohoe, Head of Clinical Audit & Research – email Rachel.Donohoe@lond-amb.nhs.uk

Mr Mark Whitbread, Assistant Head of Training & cardiac Lead, email Mark.Whitbread@lond-amb.nhs.uk

I am however obliged to advise you that if you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request you have a right to complain to the Trust and should set out your concerns to Mr Peter Suter, Director of Information Management & Technology, London Ambulance Service NHS Trust, 220 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8SD. If you then still remain dissatisfied, you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to seek a determination from the Information Commissioner on whether the Act has been properly applied by the Trust. For more information, please see www.ico.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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