

Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – SVT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to emergency department attendances.

Question:

- I am writing to you to request any information on all emergency department attendances for patients under 18-years of age (up to 17 years and 11 months) that were found to have SVT. For each case, I am looking for: Age, gender, treatment provided, whether treatment was successful and if not what happened after, and arrival method (highlighting those who were conveyed by ambulance). If there is any other information that the clinical team feel would be helpful based on the information provided, I would be greatly appreciative of this.

Answer:

Emergency Department Attendances under 18 diagnosed with SVT in 2025

Attendance Count
38

Attendances broken down by Age and Gender

Gender and Age	Attendance Count
FEMALE - 0-5 years	10
FEMALE - 6-17 years	7
MALE - 0-5 years	7
MALE - 6-17 years	14

Attendances broken down by Arrival source

Arrival Source	Attendance Count
Ambulance	14
Other	24

1. Search performed on attendances who arrived between 01/01/2025 and 31/12/2025 inclusive, with an A&E diagnosis code 'BBI471' (Supraventricular Tachycardia).
2. Western General Hospital emergency department does not code A&E diagnoses

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

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Yours sincerely

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