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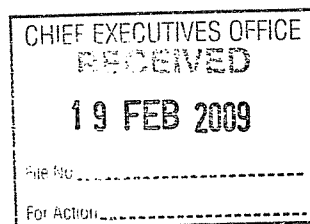
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Dear Katie

Hyperbaric Medicine Units

I have now received the data of the number of patients that South Central Ambulance NHS Trust has taken to the Hyperbaric Unit since 2007. We have only taken two patients.

Therefore, the impact of moving this Unit and relocating into St. Richard's Hospital, Chichester would not cause us any problems. It may, however, be more appropriate for the Coast Guard as they will be able to fly direct to this hospital as it has better helicopter landing facilities. This would be more beneficial to the patients as the Coast Guard would not have to wait for a South Central Ambulance to meet them and transfer the patient from the helicopter to the hospital.

I hope this clarifies our position but should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

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