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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email of 18 June in which you asked for the following information:

"Please could you tell me the number of applicants to become Pharmacy Technicians, both external and internal transfers for the years 2009-2015. What percentage of those applicants were successful and have commenced training or employment."

I am treating your correspondence as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

A search for the information has now been completed within the Ministry of Defence, and I can confirm that some of the information in scope of your request is held. Information from 2013 is held and is as follows:

Data for 2013

11 candidates – all military transfers.
5 candidates were successful at the Pharmacy Technician selection board
4 commenced Pharmacy Technician training (36%)

Data for 2014

10 candidates (8 military transfers and 2 civilian applicants)
2 candidates were successful at the Pharmacy Technician selection board (1 x military transfer and 1 x civilian applicant)
2 commenced Pharmacy Technician training (20%)

Data for 2015

6 candidates (5 military transfers and 1 civilian applicant)
2 candidates were successful at the Pharmacy Technician selection board (2 x military transfers)
2 candidates due to commence Pharmacy Technician training in July 15 (33%)

Information prior to 2013 has been destroyed.

If you are not satisfied with this response or you wish to complain about any aspect of the handling of your request, then you should contact me in the first instance. If informal resolution is not possible and you are still dissatisfied then you may apply for an independent internal review by contacting the Information Rights Compliance team, 1st Floor, MOD Main Building, Whitehall,

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Yours sincerely,

