**FOI Ref: 6438**

**Category(ies): Trust – Reports/Minutes/Correspondence, Trust – Complaints/Patient Experience**

**Subject: Maternity Care**

**Date Received: 14/06/2022**

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| **Your request:** | **Our response:** |
| Please may you provide me with the following: |
| 1. Copies of the reports into maternity care in your trust:
* The reports will be entitled ‘Maternity Quality and Safety Champions Report’ or ‘Maternity Safety Champion Report’ (or equivalent) and submitted by the Director of Midwifery (or equivalent)
* Please provide every report (whether submitted monthly or quarterly) since Jan 1 2020.
 | The Trust does not have a report with this title. Maternity safety and perinatal surveillance dashboard data is discussed at the Maternity and Neonatal Safety Champions meeting and escalated to Trust board through their monthly board meetings by the HOM. These include performance data and Ockenden update. |
| 1. For each calendar month within the below three time periods (a. - c.), please provide the number of avoidable term admissions into the neonatal unit. We understand you are required to collect this data under the 'ATAIN’ programme. Please also provide this data as a percentage of live births each month.

The three time periods: 1. Jan 1st, 2020 - Dec 31st, 2020
2. Jan 1st, 2021 - Dec 31st, 2021
3. Jan 1st, 2022 - June 13th, 2022
 | Please note, usual practice is to report in **financial** years, and as a percentage of all **term** (37/40+ gestation) live births, however, calendar years and percentage of live births as requested are as follows:1. 10, 0.41% of live births
2. 6, 0.24% of live births
3. 3, 0.28% of live births

Unable to break down monthly due to the figures potentially becoming identifiable**Less than 5 (in figures) <5**The Trust considers that information you have requested would in some instances where very low volumes exist, clearly identify an individual and constitutes sensitive personal information. It is therefore exempt under section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act and will not be released as this will likely contravene the 1st (used fairly, lawfully and transparently) and 6th (handled in a way that ensures appropriate security, including protection against unlawful or unauthorised processing, access, loss destruction or damage) data protection principles. Also, Data Protection Act Principle 1 state that when processing sensitive personal information, at least one of the conditions in Schedule 3 is met. The section 40 exemption is an absolute exemption and as such no public interest test should be applied. |
| 1. For each calendar month within the below three time periods (a. - c.), please provide the number of 'early resolution complaints' (or equivalent) made to your Trust about the maternity services. Of these complaints, please state the number which became 'formal care group complaints' (or equivalent).

The three time periods: 1. Jan 1st, 2020 - Dec 31st, 2020
2. Jan 1st, 2021 - Dec 31st, 2021
3. Jan 1st, 2022 - June 13th, 2022
 | The Number of Obstetric Complaints as a total per year:a. Jan 1st, 2020 - Dec 31st, 2020 = 18b. Jan 1st, 2021 - Dec 31st, 2021 = 8          c. Jan 1st, 2022 - June 13th, 2022 = 12The Number of Obstetric Concerns as a total per year:a. Jan 1st, 2020 - Dec 31st, 2020 = 47b. Jan 1st, 2021 - Dec 31st, 2021 = 54c. Jan 1st, 2022 - June 13th, 2022 = 27Please note we do not have a record available for identifying concerns which result in complaints.Unable to break down monthly due to the figures potentially becoming identifiable**Less than 5 (in figures) <5**The Trust considers that information you have requested would in some instances where very low volumes exist, clearly identify an individual and constitutes sensitive personal information. It is therefore exempt under section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act and will not be released as this will likely contravene the 1st (used fairly, lawfully and transparently) and 6th (handled in a way that ensures appropriate security, including protection against unlawful or unauthorised processing, access, loss destruction or damage) data protection principles. Also, Data Protection Act Principle 1 state that when processing sensitive personal information, at least one of the conditions in Schedule 3 is met. The section 40 exemption is an absolute exemption and as such no public interest test should be applied. |