

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-307

20 July 2022

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

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. If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to it exceeding the cost of compliance limits, please work back from the most recent report

Please see the attached documents. The reports began to be submitted from June 2021 in response to the Ockenden Review of Maternity Services. Please note there are no reports for August due to the meeting not being held in this month.

If providing the above does not exceed the cost limits, could I also request the following:

2. 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.

2020

| Month | No. of ATAIN | % of term deliveries |
|----------|--------------|----------------------|
| January | 8 | 2.0 |
| February | 9 | 2.5 |
| March | * | * |
| April | 11 | 3.1 |
| May | 9 | 2.29 |
| June | 7 | 1.92 |
| July | 11 | 3.13 |
| August | 13 | 3.7 |

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| September | 14 | 3.6 |
| October | 13 | 3.19 |
| November | 11 | 3.29 |
| December | 10 | 2.93 |

Please note: Where the figures are between 1 and 5, this has been denoted by *. Due to the low numbers, we have considered that there is the potential for individuals to be identified from the information provided, when considered with other information that may also be in the public domain. In our view disclosure of these low figures would breach one of the Data Protection Principles set out in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act, namely Principle 1. The Trust therefore finds that the Section 40(2) exemption contained within the Freedom of information Act 2000 is engaged. (Section 40 is the exemption for personal information).

2021

| Month | No. of ATAIN | % of term deliveries |
|-----------|--------------|----------------------|
| January | 14 | 3.9 |
| February | 11 | 3.1 |
| March | 12 | 3.18 |
| April | 7 | 1.89 |
| May | 9 | 2.3 |
| June | 11 | 2.94 |
| July | 19 | 4.53 |
| August | * | * |
| September | 15 | 3.92 |
| October | 18 | 4.37 |
| November | 18 | 4.52 |
| December | 20 | 5.15 |

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2022

| Month | No. of ATAIN | % of term deliveries |
|----------|--------------|----------------------|
| January | 7 | 2.08 |
| February | 13 | 3.92 |
| March | 8 | 2.15 |
| April | * | * |
| May | 12 | 3.61 |
| June | * | * |

Please note: Where the figures are between 1 and 5, this has been denoted by *. Due to the low numbers, we have considered that there is the potential for individuals to be identified from

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3. 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:

a. Jan 1 2020 - Dec 31 2020

b. Jan 1 2021 - Dec 31 2021

c. Jan 1 2022 - June 13 2022

a. 1 January 1 2020 – 31 December 2020

January 2020 – 6 (4 formal/2 informal)
February 2020 – 8 (6 formal/2 informal)
March 2020 – 7 (5 formal/2 informal)
April 2020 – 3 (0 formal/3 informal)
May 2020 – 2 (1 formal/1 informal)
June 2020 – 7 (5 formal/2 informal)
July 2020 – 6 (3 formal/3 informal)
August 2020 – 10 (9 formal/1 informal)
September 2020 – 18 (9 formal/9 informal)
October 2020 – 16 (10 formal/6 informal)
November 2020 – 15 (8 formal/7 informal)
December 2020 – 5 (1 formal/4 informal)

b. 1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021

January 2021 – 5 (5 formal/0 informal)
February 2021 – 3 (2 formal/1 informal)
March 2021 – 5 (4 formal/1 informal)
April 2021 – 3 (2 formal/1 informal)
May 2021 – 6 (6 formal/0 informal)
June 2021 – 4 (3 formal/1 informal)
July 2021 – 13 (10 formal/3 informal)
August 2021 – 12 (7 formal/5 informal)
September 2021 – 7 (5 formal/2 informal)
October 2021 – 6 (3 formal/3 informal)
November 2021 – 12 (8 formal/4 informal)
December 2021 – 12 (8 formal/4 informal)

c. 1 January 2022 – 13 June 2022

January 2022 – 4 (4 formal/0 informal)

February 2022 – 5 (1 formal/4 informal)

March 2022 – 8 (4 formal/4 informal)

April 2022 – 7 (4 formal/3 informal)

May 2022 – 6 (4 formal/2 informal)

June 2022 – 3 (0 formal/3 informal)

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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