

## Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-550

23 September 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 not hold the information you are requesting

Please provide me with an annual breakdown of the total number successful clinical negligence claims made against the trust in the maternity sector and the total value of the damages paid out in the maternity sector, broken down at a site-level.

I am specifically requesting the information at a site-level, not at the trust-level. That means the data you provide should be broken down by individual sites - e.g. separate data for a hospital the trust manages, as well as a midwife-led unit.

Please indicate if a site is a midwife-led unit i.e. freestanding from a hospital.

Please provide this data for the latest five years for which it is available.

The data could be provided to me in the format of two tables, one for total number of claims and a second for the total value of damages. Each row would represent a site, and each column would be a year.

We do not pay any money in clinical negligence claims. Any compensation is paid by NHS Resolution. Please contact <a href="mailto:nhsr.foi@nhs.net">nhsr.foi@nhs.net</a>

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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