

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-633

2 September 2024

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. Please could you tell me how many consultants are onsite at all maternity departments within the trust during the following times (if there is more than one maternity department within the trust please provide figures for each maternity department)

- a) Midday (12pm) on weekdays at least 2 on CDS
- b) Midnight (12am) on weekdays zero or one dependant if on-call in
- c) Midday (12pm) on Sundays one
- d) Midnight (12am) on Sundays zero or one dependant if on-call in
- 2. Please provide figures for your current
- a) emergency caesarean rate 21.4% for July 24
- b) elective caesarean rate 22.4% for July 24

3. Please could you tell me if there are any targets or policies in place to address the existing

a) emergency caesarean rate - None

b) elective caesarean rate if either are deemed outliers compared to other trusts - None

4. Please provide details of your current policy on maternal request caesareans.

Maternal request for sections are accepted after a full discussion so woman understands risks/benefits

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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