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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/012709 – Neonatal abstinence syndrome

Can you provide answers for 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 please.

How many babies were born with neonatal abstinence syndrome (showing signs of drug addiction because of their mother taking drugs during pregnancy) at hospitals run by your trust during each financial year?

If you run more than one hospital please breakdown the figures for each hospital.

After 72 hours minimum of observations for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) the following stats are:

2011-12 = 2  
2012 – 13 = 1  
2013 – 14 = 5  
2014 – 15 = 7  
2015 – 16 = 3

NB: New-borns are not born with NAS (Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome).