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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/012829 – Maternity

1. If your trust has (a) midwife-led birth ward/unit(s), on what date did the ward/unit(s) open (Year and month is fine)?

Yes the Trust has a midwife-led birth ward at Russells Hall Hospital which opened when the services were transferred from Wordsley Hospital in January 2005

2. In the event that a patient admitted to commence delivery on a midwife-led birth unit/ward has to be transferred to a consultant-led unit, please list the facilities you have the option to transfer them to and provide the distance between the midwife-led unit and consultant-led unit in miles. If they are located on the same site as each other please say so.

The midwife-led birth ward at Russells Hall Hospital is in the same area as the Consultant-led unit, it is an along-side facility.

3. How many mothers were admitted to commence delivery in each midwife-led unit in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

The midwife-led birth ward at Russells Hall Hospital is in the same area as the Consultant-led unit, it is an along-side facility. Due to ward/area reconfigurations through the years since moving the Unit to Russells Hall Hospital, an area specifically designated for admissions for midwife-led care cannot be traced back as far as requested.

We only have these figures for three years

2013-14 = 1082

2014-15 = 1040

2015-16 = 915

4. How many mothers who started delivery in each midwife-led unit completed their delivery there in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

2015-2016	2014 -2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009
732	856	839	610	750	671	570	343

5. How many mothers who started delivery in each midwife-led unit were transferred to hospital/consultant-led unit during delivery in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16? I am seeking information on those who had to be moved to one of the facilities you listed in answer to question 2, above.

As in the response to question 3, the midwife-led birth ward at Russells Hall Hospital is in the same area as the Consultant-led unit, it is an along-side facility. Due to ward/area reconfigurations through the years since

moving the Unit to Russells Hall Hospital, an area specifically designated for admissions for midwife-led care cannot be traced back as far as requested.

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2013-14 = 1082 – 560 = 525

2014-15 = 1040 – 611 = 429

2015-16 = 915 – 533 = 382

6. For each of the years in question 5, above, please provide the list of reasons for transfer and give the percentage of transfers for each reason.

This information is not held in a centralised electronic database, but in individual patient casenotes and paper registers.

7. How many mothers commenced delivery at home (a planned home birth) in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

2011-12 54

2012-13 52

2013-14 49

2014-15 49

2015-16 48

8. How many mothers who started delivery in a planned home birth completed their delivery there in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16

2011-12 42

2012-13 36

2013-14 36

2014-15 38

2015-16 39

9. How many mothers who started delivery in a planned home birth were transferred to hospital/consultant-led unit during delivery in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

2011-12 12

2012-13 16

2013-14 13

2014-15 10

2015-16 9

10. For each of years in question 9 above, please provide the list of reasons for transfer and give the percentage of transfers for each reason.

Reasons are;

Failure to progress

Required epidural

Fetal distress

Meconium stained liquor

Prolonged rupture of membranes

Maternal choice

Unable to provide %

11. How many mothers were admitted to commence delivery in a consultant-led unit in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 (excluding those who had started on a midwife-led unit and were transferred)?

This is not applicable because we do not have a standalone MLU / CLU set-up. A woman will be under midwife care or consultant care during labour and delivery, but there is no strict adherence to physical location within

the overall maternity area. The physical location is the location appropriate at that time given the care required. In terms of midwife-led and consultant-led care, the breakdown of births is as follows :

2011-12 Midwife-led = 2016 Consultant-led = 3193

2012-13 Midwife-led = 1787 Consultant-led = 2929

2013-14 Midwife-led = 1202 Consultant-led = 3278

2014-15 Midwife-led = 873 Consultant-led = 3522

2015-16 Midwife-led = 716 Consultant-led = 3669

12. How many mothers were admitted to commence delivery in any other facility associated with your trust in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

These women would be included in the previous data

13. How many mothers who started delivery in any other facility associated with your trust were transferred to hospital/consultant-led unit during delivery in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

Not applicable, as we do not have outside standalone facilities

14. For each of the years in question 13 above, please provide the list of reasons for transfer and give the percentage of transfers for each reason.

Not applicable

15. How many mothers who started delivery in any other facility associated with your trust completed their delivery there in each of the following years (if applicable): 2011-12, 2013-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16?

Not applicable, as we do not have outside standalone facilities