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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013675 – Deliveries and complications

For the last three financial years

1. What complications women have during delivery at your facility and the incidence of each. (I am particularly interested in the incidence of perineal tears.)

The incidence of perineal lacerations during delivery is as follows :

2014-15 : 1st degree = 1346, 2nd degree = 3121, 3rd degree = 312, 4th degree = 11

2015-16 : 1st degree = 1407, 2nd degree = 2724, 3rd degree = 408, 4th degree = 10

2016-17 : 1st degree = 1236, 2nd degree = 2605, 3rd degree = 484, 4th degree = 18

2. I would also like to know how many women get episiotomy and what percentage of them received some form of anaesthesia prior to the episiotomy.

Episiotomy to facilitate delivery:

2014-15 = 520

2015-16 = 527

2016-17 = 498

Use of non-epidural anaesthetic injections during delivery is not recorded electronically therefore unable to provide this information.