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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

Please provide the following information relating to Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (GDM).

Response

Q1. Gestational Diabetes Mellitus Screening Methodology

The Trust follows the screening methods recommended by the national institute for health and care excellence 2015 updated 2020 Diabetes in Pregnancy: Management from pre-conception to the post-natal period.

This information can be found in the attached Trust's Diabetes in Pregnancy Guideline.

75g 2-hour oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT) is offered at 24-28 weeks' gestation for all women with risk factors for gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) contained in the above NICE guidance/Trust guideline. In addition, as a Trust we also offer screening to the following:

- Estimated fetal weight >90th centile at anomaly scan.
- Previous unexplained stillbirth
- Pregnant women taking antipsychotic medication (e.g., Quetiapine, Amitriptyline)
- Polycystic ovary syndrome.
- Previous GDM:

Women with previous GDM are offered either OGTT at 16 weeks, repeated at 25 weeks or home blood glucose monitoring for one week at 16 weeks, repeated at 25 weeks or OGTT if first tests were normal.

Q2. Timing of Screening:

At which gestational week do the majority of pregnant women undergo GDM screening within your Trust?

25 weeks' gestation.

3. Early Screening for High-Risk Pregnancies:

Do you conduct GDM screening earlier for pregnant women deemed to be at very high risk? If so, please specify the criteria for determining high risk and the gestational week at which such screenings are conducted.

Women deemed at high risk of developing GDM are women with previous GDM and would be offered screening as above.

Women also considered at high risk, for example estimated fetal weight above 90th centile or presence of glycosuria would be offered an OGTT or home blood glucose monitoring for one week to confirm or exclude GDM as soon as possible following the occurrence of the risk factor.

4. Administration of OGTT:

Who is responsible for administering the OGTT within your Trust? Additionally, where is the OGTT typically conducted (e.g., hospital clinic, community health centre)?

Nurse, community midwives and clinical support workers in community health care setting are responsible.

5. Maternity-Related Risks Recorded in the Trust Risk Log:

Please disclose which maternity-related risks are logged in the Trust's risk register or risk log.

The following data cannot be shared and therefore the Trust has applied Exemption S36 (2)c – prejudice conduct of public affairs. Information to which this section applies is exempt information if in the reasonable opinion of a qualified person disclosure of the information under this Act – would otherwise prejudice, or would be likely otherwise to prejudice, the effective conduct of public affairs.

6. Bank and agency Spending:

a) Please provide bank spend for midwifery staff for the year 2023, by job grade.

Data provided is for clinical bank shifts only for the calendar year 2023.

Grade	Calendar Year 2023
Band 2	£140,444
Band 3	£69,856
Band 4	£309
Band 5	£417,875
Band 6	£565,038
Band 7	£120,815

b) Please provide agency spend for midwifery staff for the year 2023, by job grade.

- Agency spend for midwifery staff for the year 2023, by job grade for the period specified is £0.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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