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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 - Ref: FOI/012029**

With reference to your FOI request in connection with 'Pregnant women' please see response below.

The number of pregnant women attending an 8-week (or thereabouts) 'booking in' appointment at the Trust during each of the last five years from 2010/11 to 2014/15 inclusive;

2010-11 = 4276  
2011-12 = 4383  
2012-13 = 3833  
2013-14 = 3785  
2014-15 to date = 2089

Notes : "2014-15 to date" covers booking dates from April to November inclusive, delays in the electronic recording of booking information will mean that not all November 2014 bookings have been recorded (as of 02/12/2014). Totals are for women attending "booking-in" appointments during the period where the estimated gestation length at booking is between 5 and 11 weeks. Gestation length at booking is calculated on estimated delivery date from dating scan where available, else last menstrual period date.

The number of pregnant women attending an 8-week 'booking in' appointment during each of the last five years who were categorised as obese at that appointment;

2010-11 = of 1874 measured there were 405 obese  
2011-12 = of 3839 measured 3839 there were 740 obese  
2012-13 = of 3683 measured 3683 there were 743 obese  
2013-14 = of 3660 measured there were 748 obese

2014-15 to date = of 2070 measured there were 463 obese

Notes : Requirement to record BMI at booking has been made a high priority since 2012 and non-recording is now only allowed under exceptional circumstances.

Please explain the Trust's definition of 'obese' in this instance.

The definition of "obese" used in (ii) above is a recorded BMI of over 30.

The official Trust definition of obesity for the purposes of care includes women of South Asian origin with BMI of 27.5-plus but BMI is recorded electronically within value ranges rather than exact values. If the investigation was to be extended to exactly match the Trust's definition this would require examination of individual patient notes, work which could exceed the non-chargeable effort allowed under the relevant Act – please contact us if you wish to be given an estimate of effort involved.