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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST 012808 – Maternity

We would be grateful for the following information under the above act (in the period 2014-2015)

1 How many deliveries of babies took place at your hospital in 2014-15? - 4359 babies were delivered in the hospital during 2014 (excluding home births and births before admission)

2 How many babies were delivered vaginally – 3128 babies were delivered vaginally in hospital during 2014

3 What percentage of births were by caesarean sections – 28.24%

4 How many births took place in women with BMI>40 – see below

5 How many births took place in women with BMI>50 – see below

6 How many elective caesarean sections were in women with BMI >40 – see below

7 How many emergency caesarean sections were in women with BMI >40 – see below

8 How many elective caesarean sections were in women with BMI >50 – see below

9 How many emergency caesarean sections were in women with BMI >50 – see below

10 Is there a special protocol for caesarean sections in women with high BMI? (Yes/No)

Women with BMI >40 are referred for antenatal anaesthetic assessment and are allocated extended operating time when elective caesarean section is planned.

Questions 4 to 9 – the Trust does not electronically record BMI details this would be recorded in the patient notes which are exempt under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please indicate if your hospital uses the following methods for retraction during caesarean sections in women with high BMI? (Yes/No)

11 Extra Doctor - Yes

12 Extra Midwife - No

13 Ribbon gauze retraction - Yes

14 Mobius retractor - No

15 Alexis retractor - Yes- on a trial basis

16 Surgisleeve retractor - No

17 Traxi retractor - Yes – on a trial basis

18 Any other (please specify):

19 How many women were readmitted to hospital for breakdown of caesarean section wound - (ICD10 codes O90.0 & O90.2 - 14 ladies were readmitted (post C-section admission) for breakdown of wound, of which 2 ladies required 2 readmissions for this reason.

20 How many readmissions for ICD10 codes O90.0 & O90.2 were for women with BMI>40 – see below

21 How many women were readmitted to hospital for ICD code O86.0? - total of 55

22 How many of these readmissions for ICD code O86.0 were for women with BMI>40 – see below

Question 20 and 22 – The Trust does not electronically record BMI details this would be recorded in The patient notes which are exempt under the Freedom of Information Act