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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013920 - Bereavement midwives

- 1) Do you operate a maternity unit? - Yes
- 2) How many specialist bereavement midwives do you employ? - We have a lead midwife who has responsibility for bereavement care on a part time basis
- 3) How many of your specialist bereavement midwives work full-time? - N/A
- 4) Does the bereavement midwife keep in contact with patients when they have left hospital? By 'contact' we mean face-to-face appointments or phone conversations. - Phone conversations by midwife and phone and face to face contact by hospital chaplain
- 5) Is there a 'maximum' time period that the bereavement midwife will keep contact with patients after they have left hospital? - No
- 6) How many children died while being cared for at your maternity unit – between January 1st 2017 and December 31st 2017 - 7 early neonatal deaths (a baby that died before 7 completed days after birth) during the time frame 01/01/17 - 31/12/17. There was no late neonatal deaths during this time frame (a baby that died from 7 completed days but before 28 completed days after birth)