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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013974 – Caesarean sections

1. Does the Trust allow women to have caesarean sections by maternal request (i.e. when a woman asks for a caesarean section when there is no other indication)? - Yes

Only if you answer “No” to Q1:

2. If possible, please state when this restriction was introduced (or state if it has always been Trust policy) - N/A

3. A) Please provide the relevant policy and/or guideline which sets out the Trust's position on caesarean sections by maternal request. Please attach the document(s) or provide a direct link(s), stating page number if applicable.

The Trust guideline, elective caesarean section, see attached, relevant page 3 point 2.5. This guideline is in process of review and updating but maternal request will remain an option.

B) If applicable, please provide the patient information leaflet provided to women who ask for a maternal request caesarean section. Please attach the document or provide a direct link.

Same leaflet used for all women having elective caesarean section – attached

\*\* For a copy of the guidelines please contact [dgft.foi@nhs.net](mailto:dgft.foi@nhs.net)