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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to closure of maternity services 2013 – May 2016.

For the past three years - from January 2013 up until the date this request was received - please can you tell me?

a) The number of times labour wards were closed (and if possible, the reason or closure);

b) On those occasions, which maternity units were expectant mothers transferred to?

a) The Trust maternity services closed once for 4 hours in the summer 2015, due to extreme clinical activity.

b) One patient was asked to go elsewhere and she went to the nearest unit other than Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust to where she lived.