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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 maternity units.

*Could you please tell me the names of your maternity units and sites and the distances they are apart?*

*Could you please tell me the number of births at each individual named maternity unit and site, for the last year?*

*For every named maternity unit and site run by your trust, could you please tell me?*

- 1. The number of full-time consultant obstetricians working at each unit/ site*
- 2. The number of part-time consultant obstetricians working at each unit/ site*
- 3. The number of whole time equivalent consultant obstetricians working at each unit/ site*
- 4. The number of hours each named unit or site has a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital Monday to Friday*
- 5. The number of hours each named unit or site has a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Saturdays*
- 6. The number of hours each named unit or site has a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Sundays*
- 7. The number of hours each named unit or site has a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Bank holidays*

*In addition, could you please give the following information specifically for the Easter Bank Holiday weekend Friday March 25 to Monday March 28 2016?*

8. *The number of hours each named maternity unit or site had a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Friday March 25 2016*

9. *The number of hours each named maternity unit or site had a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Saturday March 26 2016*

10. *The number of hours each named maternity unit or site had a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Sunday March 27 2016*

11. *The number of hours each named maternity unit or site had a consultant obstetrician working in the hospital on Monday March 28 2016*

Maidstone Birthing Centre – ME16 9QQ

Crowborough Birthing Centre – TN6 1HB

Tunbridge Wells Hospital (TWH) at Pembury Maternity Unit – TN2 4QJ

Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust has taken on the management of Crowborough Birthing Centre from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016  
439 births at Maidstone Birthing Centre

1. Only TWH has consultants working on labour ward - 13 (12.7 WTE). The Birthing Centre at Maidstone Hospital is a midwifery-led unit and does not, by design have obstetricians.

2. We have a team of consultants

3. The consultants work as a team and provide clinic cover at Maidstone and TWH and obstetric labour ward cover at TWH

4. We have cover from 8am-10pm each day on labour ward, then on call out of hour cover

5. 5 hours on site, then on call cover

6. 5 hours on Sunday, then on call cover

7. 5 hours, then on call cover

As above – we do not have records of the actual hours a consultant was in beyond this

8. As above

9. As above

10. As above

11. As above