## Maidstone and MHS Tunbridge Wells

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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 NIPT tests.

You asked:

1. Do you carry out NIPT testing?

2. Numbers of cases of Down's syndrome detected

3. Numbers of invasive tests (probes, needles inserted into uterus, chorionic villus sampling)

- 4. Numbers of miscarriages avoided
- 5. Numbers of pregnancy outcomes
- 6. Costs associated with implementation of NIPT
- 7. Could we have a copy of your care pathway?
- 8. Are tests undertaken in the first or second trimester?
- 9. What resources are used e.g. separate areas designated for clinics,

consumables, consultant, midwives & nursing time?

10. Do you also cover patients outside of your catchment areas?

11. What is included within governance and standard operating procedures?

12. Are any other treatments provided? If yes please state what they are

13. Why was the service set up? Is it part of maternity baseline activities or was there a business case? Can we have a copy?

Trust response:

- 1. Yes on high risk women
- 2. unable to answer
- 3. We send women to other trusts for CVS
- 4. unable to answer this question
- 5. unable to answer
- 6. unable to answer

7. Do not have a formal pathway as numbers of women being offered this test are very small, we are still working out the details for this service for the future

- 8. First trimester
- 9. Our screening team cover this service

10. No

11. Not agreed to date, work in progress

12. unable to answer

13. Part of maternity baseline service activities

Further information would exceed the time allowed for responses.