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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 Evacuation of retained products of Conception or ERPC's.

*You asked:*

- 1. The number of Evacuation of retained products of Conception or ERPC's your hospital (or all hospitals within of your trust) conducted on women between April 1st and December 1st of a) 2020 and b) 2019 (or nearest similar timeframe).*
- 2. Please can you also include (if noted) what number of these were due to Termination of Pregnancy (TOP) 'complications' or 'side effects' and which were due to miscarriage.*

Trust response:

Caveats – We have looked at April-December activity for 2019 and 2020, looking only for Q11 procedure codes, as confirmed by our Coding team, in the first 8 procedure code fields only.

1. 2019 had 254 cases and 2020 had 120.

To find out whether they were due to TOP or spontaneous miscarriage we have grouped up the primary diagnosis only.

2. 2019 - 57 had diagnosis of spontaneous abortion, 136 of missed abortion, 39 of medical abortion, another 18 due to reasons linked to the pregnancy and 4 which do not seem related.

2020 – 55 had diagnosis of spontaneous abortion, 40 of missed abortion, 18 of medical abortion, 2 of other abortion, 1 for reason linked to the pregnancy and 4 which do not seem related. Please remember that this is from primary diagnosis only, not any secondary fields.